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# Sergio Correa sentenced to life

No possibility of parole; sister Ruth receives 40 years for torture and killing of Lindquist family in Griswold

**By Taylor Hartz** Hartford Courant

More than four years after Sergio and Ruth Correa carried out a deadly crime spree that judges called the most horrific case to ever pass through their courtrooms, the Hartford siblings were sentenced Tuesday for their roles in the slayings of Kenneth, Janet and Matthew Lindquist.

Sergio Correa, 30, was sentenced to life without the possibility of parole plus 105 years for the torturous killing of a family in

their Griswold home just before Christmas in 2017. His sister, who painted her brother as the mastermind that orchestrated the plan to trade drugs for guns that turned into a deadly home invasion and arson, was sentenced to 40 years in prison in line with a plea deal she reached with prosecutors.

Ruth Correa, 27, can be released by the time she turns 67, if not earlier.

In a voice quavering with emotion, Judge Hunchu Kwak sentenced Sergio Correa to

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right, listens as Eric Lindquest, son of Kenneth and Janet Lindquist, and brother of Matthew, delivers his victim impact statement during Correa's sentencing hearing Tuesday. **SEAN D.** ELLIOT/AP

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### **WAR IN UKRAINE**

# Russians storm Mariupol steel mill

Scores of civilians evacuate bombed-out plant

By Cara Anna and Yesica Fisch **Associated Press** 

ZAPORIZHZHIA, Ukraine – Russian forces Tuesday began storming the steel mill containing the last pocket of resistance in Mariupol, Ukrainian defenders said, just as scores of civilians evacuated from the bombed-out plant reached relative safety and told of days and nights filled with dread and despair from constant shelling.

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ian coordinator for Ukraine, said that thanks to the evacuation effort over the weekend, 101 people – including women, the elderly, and 17 children, the youngest 6 months old — were able to emerge from the bunkers under the Azovstal steelworks and "see the daylight after two

months." One evacuee said she went to sleep at the plant every night afraid she wouldn't wake

"You can't imag-

ine how scary it is when you sit in the shelter, in a wet and damp basement which is bouncing, shaking," Elina Tsybulchenko, 54, said upon arriving in the Ukrainian-controlled city of Zaporizhzhia, about 140 miles northwest of Mariupol, in a convoy of buses

and ambulances. Evacuees, some in tears, made their way from the buses into a tent offering

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# **ROE V. WADE**



Demonstrators protest outside of the U.S. Supreme Court Tuesday in Washington. ALEX BRANDON/AP

# Leaked opinion sparks both outrage and praise

Abortion proponents, foes vow to not give up their fight

By Christopher Keating | Hartford Courant

HARTFORD - Top Connecticut officials were outraged Tuesday over a leaked draft opinion that the U.S. Supreme Court is planning to overturn the nation's landmark abortion ruling.

The 98-page document, written by Justice Samuel Alito, set off debate about the highly emotional issue of abortion, and Connecticut leaders pledged to defend abortion rights in the state.

Attorney General William Tong and others said that 36 million women in 26 states could lose access to abortion because legislators in those states have pledged to restrict abortion.

"This is an outrage," Tong said at the state Capitol as a crowd of legislators stood behind him. "It is nothing less than an attack on women and patients and Connecticut families. What the Supreme Court proposes to do is to carpet-bomb fundamental rights that are hard-wired into who we are as Americans. If this decision becomes more than a draft decision and becomes real for all of us, let me tell you what will happen. It will split this country in two."

While Democratic leaders like Gov. Ned Lamont, Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz, and others support abortion rights, others were happy about the proposed decision.

The Family Institute of Connecticut said that supporters must wait for the final decision but said that the ruling would represent "an enormous victory for life in America."

Peter Wolfgang, the institute's longtime executive director, released a statement that hailed the decision. "Repealing Roe v. Wade is the very

thing pro-lifers have marched for, prayed for, worked for, and voted for these last 49 years," he said. "Here in Connecticut, abortion will still be legal for now. The good news is that the debate over HB 5414, the Abortion Expansion Bill, has exposed cracks in the abortion industry's political support in Connecticut. They won the bill. Pro-lifers won the argument."

Wolfgang cited opposition to the recent bill by some members of the Black and Puerto Rican Caucus who spoke passionately against the bill. The measure passed by 87-60 in the state House of Representatives and 25-9 in the Senate. They noted that Black women make up only 12% of the population but have 38% of abortions.

'For the first time ever, the split over abortion between the black community and the white progressives who claim to speak for them was exposed," Wolfgang said. "Several black legislators pleaded with their white progressive colleagues to recognize how abortion has targeted the black community and to vote "no" on HB 5414. The refusal of

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# Connecticut's new abortion law offers protections for patients, providers

**By Christopher Keating** Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — Predicting the possible overturning of Roe v. Wade, Connecticut legislators recently passed a new abortion bill. The measure is the most far-reaching on abortion in Connecticut in the past 32 years and would expand abortion-related protections regarding lawsuits.

Connecticut's new abortion law has been called the strongest in the nation. In texting to the news of the leaked Supreme Court opinion Monday night, Attorney General William Tong said, "Connecticut will be a safe state."

What does the bill do? House Bill 5414, known as the Reproductive Freedom Defense Act, would expand the number of medical specialists who are allowed to perform abortion services - allowing advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants and nurse-midwives to provide medication and aspiration abortions in the first trimester.

How would the bill relate to abortion laws in other states? A "clawback" provision would protect Connecticut residents from Senate Bill 8 in Texas and similar laws that allow for lawsuits against a doctor for

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the white progressives in both parties to listen to their black colleagues marks a turning point in the abortion debate in Connecticut."

Wolfgang concluded, "Like our friends on the national level, Connecticut's pro-lifers will not stop until every unborn child in our state is protected in law and welcomed in life."

Abortion advocates and legislators responded with equal passion during a press conference at the Capitol, saying that they, too, would not give up the fight.

'Today is a devastating day," said Rep. Matt Blumenthal, a Stamford Democrat who co-chairs the Reproductive Rights Caucus. "It just makes me that much more glad that this General Assembly has seen fit, in rapid fashion, to pass the Reproductive Freedom Defense Act, which is the strongest law protecting reproductive freedom in the country - and will serve as a blueprint for states across the country seeking to protect the right

Rep. Jillian Gilchrest, a West Hartford Democrat who serves as the caucus co-chairwoman, said she had expected the now-conservative court to push for overturning Roe

What I was not expecting was the misogyny and the anti-choice rhetoric that comes along with it," Gilchrest said at the Capitol. "That is sexist. It completely ignores a woman's autonomy, and it disregards the experience of the individual being pregnant in the United States."

Later in the day, Lamont announced that he had signed a letter with 16 other governors for Congress to immediately protect abortion rights. Governors from New York, New Jersey, and California said that the rights from the Roe v. Wade ruling should be codified into federal law.

The U.S. House has already passed the codification bill, and it is awaiting action in the Senate.

Outside Hartford, U.S. Sen. Richard Blumenthal tweeted, "If true, this decision would be a horrific moment inflicting a huge leap backward with incalculable costs & chaos for countless women & their families.

'Countless women tonight are feeling scared & alone, but they should know that this fight is far from over. This draft is by no means final & states like CT are stepping up to protect them."

U.S. Rep. Rosa DeLauro, a New Haven Democrat who is a leader on the issue, said she is "horrified, ashamed, and angry.

"If the Supreme Court of the United States rules as this draft is written, this opinion will go down in history as a stain on our country,"DeLauro said. "It is misguided and will be responsible for stripping away a basic right of women, threatening to undo other constitutional protections for all Americans."

Secretary of the State Denise Merrill had similar concerns.

"This decision will have a terrible toll on women, on doctors and nurses providing health care, on our already divided country," Merrill said. "Women of my generation fought for our entire lives to protect these precious rights - this decision is a betrayal of the blood, sweat, and tears that were poured into this effort. It is cold comfort today, but I am still proud to live in Connecticut, a state that has taken steps to ensure that the right to choose to have an abortion will remain protected."

Lamont, a Democrat, has pledged to protect abortion rights in Connecticut as the Supreme Court ruling approaches.

"We thought that women had the full range of reproductive choice, going back to Roe v. Wade, going back 50 years when I was young," Lamont recently told reporters in Hartford, "And it's incredible that it's back on the front burner. It's incredible that the Supreme Court will make the decision that could fundamentally change a woman's right to choose. A majority of the states across the country already have bills passed or about to be passed that would virtually outlaw a woman's right to choose - and we're not going to let that happen in Connecticut."

Lamont has pledged to sign a bill, passed by both chambers of the legislature, that would expand the medical specialists who are allowed to perform abortion services allowing advanced practice registered nurses, physician assistants and nurse-midwives to



Legislators and supporters of reproductive rights and right of women to choose abortion gathered together for the news conference at the state Capitol in Hartford, Tuesday. JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

provide medication and aspiration abortions in the first trimester.

But Christopher C. Healy, a spokesman for the conference that represents the state's Roman Catholic bishops, said additional medical providers should not be involved.

"A midwife is supposed to bring children

into the world, not exterminate them," Healy said recently. "We can only pray for these people. Why do we need more people in the abortion business? It has to be done with trained people."

Healy added, "Around 75% of abortions are performed on low-income women covered by HUSKY, based on information from the Department of Public Health and the Department of Social Services for 2018. This group, which already may be facing inequality in health care due to racial issues, would likely feel the most impact of allowing less qualified providers to perform abortions."

Healy declined to comment on the leaked draft, saying he wanted to wait until the final decision is publicly released.

The full, 98-page draft opinion by the nation's highest court was posted online by Politico, a leading outlet that covers national

"Roe was egregiously wrong from the start," Alito wrote, according to the draft of a ruling in a Mississippi case that has been closely scrutinized for months.

Senate President Pro Tem Martin Looney of New Haven and Senate majority leader Bob Duff issued a joint statement that the state legislature will continue protecting abortion

"We feared this proposed decision and now this nightmare appears to be all too real," they said. "America is likely headed down a dark path where individual states will adopt conflicting statutes leading to additional divisions in an already divided nation. ... With Democratic majorities, Connecticut will continue to protect the right to make informed choices on reproductive health. We only wish we could say the same for all other states."

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy, a friend of Lamont, tweeted, "A truly dark day in America with the news reports that the Supreme Court has voted to overturn Roe v. Wade. This year, I signed the Freedom of Reproductive Choice Act — codifying a woman's right to choose into state law. New Jersey will not go backwards on reproductive rights."

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performing an abortion in Connecticut on a woman who traveled here from Texas for care. If a Connecticut resident is sued under a Texas-style abortion law, the bill would give them the right to file a counter-suit.

What other protections are there?  $\ensuremath{\mathrm{The}}$ bill updates the state's extradition statute so that Connecticut residents could not be summoned by other states for an act that is legal in Connecticut, specifically abortion.

Are women traveling to Connecticut for abortions? Yes. Lawmakers said that women from states like Texas, where abortion is restricted, were already arriving at clinics in Connecticut even before the Supreme Court's draft opinion was leaked.

What about medical records? The bill would allow Connecticut to protect the medical records of women who travel here from states like Texas or Louisiana. The information would also be protected from subpoenas in other states.

What happens with investigations that

start in other states? "We're not going to help you enforce your law," said Sen. Gary Winfield, a New Haven Democrat who co-chairs the judiciary committee.

What does Gov. Ned Lamont say? Lamont will sign the measure as soon as it reaches his desk. He has not yet received the bill as it undergoes the normal legislative process.

What do abortion opponents say? "The good news is that the debate over HB 5414, the Abortion Expansion Bill, has exposed cracks in the abortion industry's political support in Connecticut," said Peter Wolf-

gang, executive director of the Family Institute of Connecticut. "They won the bill. Pro-lifers won the argument."

How is the bill different from those in other **states?** The measure is "the strongest law protecting reproductive freedom in the country - and will serve as a blueprint for states across the country seeking to protect the right to choose," said Rep. Matthew Blumenthal, a Stamford Democrat who introduced the bill in the House.

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# Lindquist family members describe years of heartache, trauma

**By Taylor Hartz** Hartford Courant

Eric Lindquist told a judge on Tuesday that he can remember the night of Dec. 19, 2017, with almost as much precision as he can remember the next morning, when he learned that his family was dead.

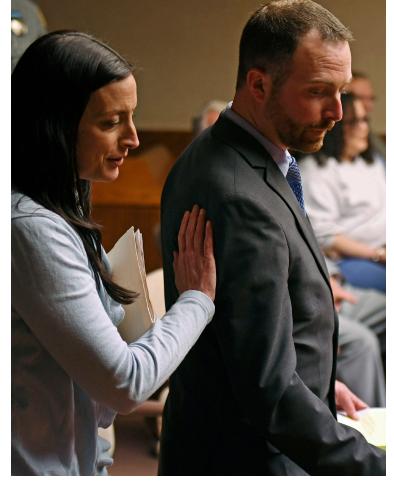
On that cold Tuesday night, he wrapped a Christmas gift for his mother, Janet Lindquist. It was a sewing machine paired in jest with a box of his old clothes that needed to be sewn back together. He went to bed proud of a promotion he had just earned at work and couldn't wait to tell his parents, who he said he knew would be "beaming with pride" when he told them.

But he never got the chance to. "It is my last memory of a previous life. A previous me. When life was the way it was supposed to be," Eric Lindquist said Tuesday during statements from family and friends of Kenneth, Janet and Matthew

Eric Lindquist, whose parents and younger brother were murdered on that December night, said he lives with consuming, chronic anger that keeps him awake at night. His life now is an "alternate reality," a nightmare he can't wake up from.

He implored the judges to hand down the maximum sentence for Sergio Correa and vacate a plea deal agreed to with his sister and accomplice, Ruth Correa, whom he called "soulless creatures."

On Tuesday at New London Superior Court, the Correa siblings were sentenced for their respective roles in the crime spree that judges called one of the most horrific cases in Connecticut history. The



Victims advocate Stephanie Barber, left, offers comfort to Eric Lindquist after he offered his Victim Impact Statement at the sentencing of Ruth Correa in New London Superior Court on Tuesday. Correa plead guilty and cooperated with prosecutors to convict her brother Sergio Correa for the murders of Kenneth, Janet and Matthew Lindquist in Griswold in December 2017. SEAN D. ELLIOT/AP

pair tortured and killed the Lindquists, left their dog locked in a bedroom, robbed them and burnt their house to the ground, according to court testimony.

seated during Sergio Correa's weeks-long trial late last year, sentenced 30-year-old Sergio Correa to a lifetime behind bars

Judge Hunchu Kwak, who was

plus 105 years.

His 27-year-old adopted sister, Ruth Correa, was sentenced by Judge Hillary B. Strackbein to 40 years in prison, the amount suggested in a plea deal she reached with the state.

Before handing down their sentences, the judges heard seven victim impact statements from the Lindquist family and friends. Each described the agony they've suffered after the brutal killings, years of anxiety, anger, insomnia, post-traumatic stress disorder, panic attacks, melancholy, depression and fear.

Susan Martin, one of Kenneth Lindquist's sisters, spoke first.

"Never in my lifetime or within the scope of human decency could I believe three of my family members, Kenny, Janet, Matthew and their dog, Skylar, and their family home, built from bottom to top by Kenny himself, could all be taken away by such an evil being," she began, standing just feet from Sergio Correa.

"At times when I could hardly breathe after hearing and seeing all the horror my deceased family endured, I saw no expression of remorse on Sergio Correa's face or in his body language," she said. "It's impossible for me to comprehend how this one person could be so heinous to others."

The Lindquists' granddaughter, 16-year-old Bailey Nichols, delivered her emotional statement and spoke on behalf of her younger sister, 15-year-old Rylee Nichols.

Bailey Nichols said that she, too, watched the face of the man who killed her grandparents and uncle as she sat through the trial.

"I wonder if the thought of who they were even crossed their mind.

How many grandchildren do they have? How many people care about them? How many lives have they impacted?"

She called them "cold-blooded killers" and said she and her siblings were robbed of their

grandparents. "I had that ripped away from me. I will never forgive them for that. I will never forgive them for all the time I spent distanced from everyone I care about or the confusion

Eric Lindquist said that he, too, feels like those moments were stolen from him.

'Sergio and Ruth robbed this world of an awful lot," he said.

The magnitude of his loss, he

said, is with him all the time. "I still struggle with constant feelings of anger or heartache every day, four and a half years

later," he told the judges. He said it is impossible to go any significant length of time without thinking of his family. Sometimes, the thoughts hit him as soon as he opens his eyes in the morning. Other times, the horror of what happened resurfaces when he's driving home from work or sitting

around a bonfire with friends. Kenneth Lindquist's other sister, Deborah DiCarlo, told the judges that her brother and his wife would have celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary this year, and her nephew would have turned 25, had they not been "murdered, tortured, humiliated, brutally bludgeoned and ripped from the

"The depiction of the brutalization and suffering that my family members endured that fateful night is emotionally disturbing and traumatizing," she said.

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life behind bars for the murders Tuesday in New London Superior Court, where more than 50 friends and family members of the Lindquists packed the courtroom.

Sergio Correa sat beside his lawyers in a bright yellow prison-issued jumpsuit, his ankles shackled above white high-top sneakers, and looked on apathetically as six of the Lindquists' family members stood before the judges and described the anguish, anger and grief thrust upon their family four years ago.

Correa's sentences included life without the possibility of parole on murder with special circumstances — the most serious charge a person can face in the state of Connecticut.

Judge Hillary B. Strackbein, who oversees New London Superior Court Part A, said the case was without a doubt the worst she has ever heard.

"I can easily say it's the worst murder case I've seen, especially in our jurisdiction," said Strackbein on Tuesday evening after she sentenced Ruth Correa.

She said the case shocked the conscience of the court and the conscience of the community and

caused utter devastation. She also said the siblings showed "a stunning lack of empathy for this innocent family."

On Dec. 19, 2017, the siblings wound their way from Hartford to the Kenwood Estates neighborhood in Griswold as Sergio Correa exchanged a flurry of frantic texts with 21-year-old Matthew Lindquist, who was in the throes of withdrawals and begging the drug dealer to bring him heroin.

After meeting Lindquist in a nearby cul-de-sac, they chased him into the woods, where they attacked him with a machete and left him to die.

The Correas then wound their way to his parent's house — a home built by Kenneth Lindquist over years of hard work.

Ruth Correa struck the family dog, Skylar, with a golf club and locked the animal in a bedroom. Sergio Correa shattered Kenneth Lindquist's skull with a baseball bat, turning his attention next to Janet Lindquist, whom he sexually taunted, beat and strangled. The siblings then stole the family's Christmas presents and Matthew's car and set the house on fire.

Judge Kwak, who was seated for Sergio Correa's weekslong trial late last year, said he was at a loss for words over the brutality and violence of the crimes. He hoped the maximum sentence handed down for Sergio Correa would bring the family some justice.

"It's been a miserable and torturous road for you, and I hope that this brings you some measure of peace," he said.

Correa, who was mostly silent since his arrest, asked the judge to allow him to represent himself, effectively firing his lawyers, Joseph Lopez and Corrie-Ann Mainville. He also accused the iudge of bias and said he maintained his innocence.

He told Kwak he wanted the chance to represent himself at the sentencing.

"It's my life," Correa said. "I'm the one who has to do the time for crimes I did not commit. I want the chance to be heard before imposing a life sentence."

Just a few hours after Sergio Correa's sentencing, Ruth Correa appeared in court. As her body shuddered with heavy sobs, her defense attorney Kevin Barrs laid out a story of her life, one tainted from a young age with sexual assault, drug use and severe mental illness, he said.

Ruth Correa, who initially said she did not wish to address the court, stood and spoke through tears after the judge reminded her that that moment was her chance to share anything she had to say.

"There's nothing I can say that can take away the hurt and the pain, and as sorry as I am words don't matter," she said.

Strackbein sentenced Ruth Correa to 40 years in prison agreed to in the plea deal for the three counts of murder instead of the more than 100 years she faced behind bars.

The sentences were handed down after a series of emotional victim-impact statements by family and friends of the Lindquists, who sat through every day of the trial prosecuted by Supervisory Assistant State's Attorney Stephen M. Carney, Senior Assistant State's Attorney Thomas M. DeLillo and Assistant State's Attorney Marissa N. Goldberg.

In their statements family members asked the court to hand down the maximum sentence for Sergio Correa and begged Judge Strackbein to vacate a plea deal Ruth Correa had reached in exchange for her testimony against her brother.

Ruth Correa testified against her brother during his trial but, at times, told different versions of her story than she had in other court appearances and interviews with law enforcement.

Eric Lindquist and his sister Danielle questioned how they would ever feel safe knowing that Ruth Correa would one day be free.

"The additional trauma of knowing that she could be free while my children are still alive is something that my family should not have to bare," said Danielle.

Eric asked the court how he would be able to enjoy his senior years wondering whether he and the general public were safe.

"I cannot under any circumstance imagine a scenario where it would be considered acceptable for a psychopathic mentally unstable spree killer to be released back into the community after just 40 years," he said.

The judge said that although 40 years may not seem like enough to the family, it was part of a deal struck with the state that ensured her brother's conviction. The sentence, she said, was not

meant to minimize Ruth Correa's role in the crimes but to recognize that her "devastating" testimony had an impact on the jury who convicted her brother. "Sometimes we have to make

these agreements to solidify the conviction, and they needed Ruth's testimony to do that in this case," said Strackbein. "I think she did serve that purpose. I think she substantially lived up to her agreement, and I think it did lead to the conviction and sentence."

# Ukraine

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some of the comforts denied them during weeks underground, including hot food, diapers and connections to the outside world. Mothers fed small children. Some of the evacuees browsed racks of donated clothing.

The news for those left behind was more grim.

Ukrainian commanders said Russian forces backed by tanks began storming the sprawling plant, which includes a maze of tunnels and bunkers spread out over 4 square miles.

How many Ukrainian fighters were holed up inside was unclear, but the Russians put the number at about 2,000 in recent weeks, and 500 were reported to be wounded. A few hundred civilians also remained there, Ukrainian Deputy Prime Minister Irvna Vereshchuk said.

"We'll do everything that's possible to repel the assault, but we're calling for urgent measures to evacuate the civilians that remain inside the plant and to bring them out safely," Sviatoslav Palamar, deputy commander of Ukraine's Azov Regiment, said on the messaging app Telegram.

He added that throughout the night, the plant was hit with naval artillery fire and airstrikes. Two civilian women were killed and 10 civilians wounded, he said.

In other battlefield developments, Russian troops shelled a chemical plant in the eastern city of Avdiivka, killing at least 10 people, Donetsk regional governor Pavlo Kyrylenko said.

Explosions were also heard in Lviv, in western Ukraine, near the Polish border. The strikes damaged three power substations, knocking out electricity in parts of the city and disrupting the water supply, the mayor said. Lviv has been a gateway for NATO-supplied weapons and a haven for those fleeing fighting in the east.

# **General Assembly green lights \$26K** pay raise for Connecticut lawmakers

Associated Press

HARTFORD - Connecticut's General Assembly voted Tuesday to give lawmakers and the state's constitutional officers their first pay raises in more than two decades.

The bill, approved on votes of 95-53 in the House and 23-13 in the Senate, included an amendment that would raise the pay of Connecticut House members from a base of \$28,000 a year to over \$44,000 and hike the pay of senators from \$28,000 to more than \$45,000, beginning in January, 2023.

The governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, treasurer, secretary of the state, comptroller and treasurer also would receive

Gov. Ned Lamont, a Democrat

who is independently wealthy and does not accept the current \$150,000 salary for his job, has said he would sign a pay-raise bill if it comes to his desk.

The bill stipulates that the governor will earn the same salary as the chief justice of the Connecticut Supreme Court (currently \$226,711) and the other officers will see their salaries rise from \$110,000 a year to a salary equal to a Superior Court judge (currently \$189,483).

Future pay would be adjusted every two years based on the federal Employment Cost Index.

Rep. Doug Dubitsky, R-Chaplin, argued during debate that the current low pay and long hours associated with working at the Capitol has made it impossible for most people to become a lawmaker.

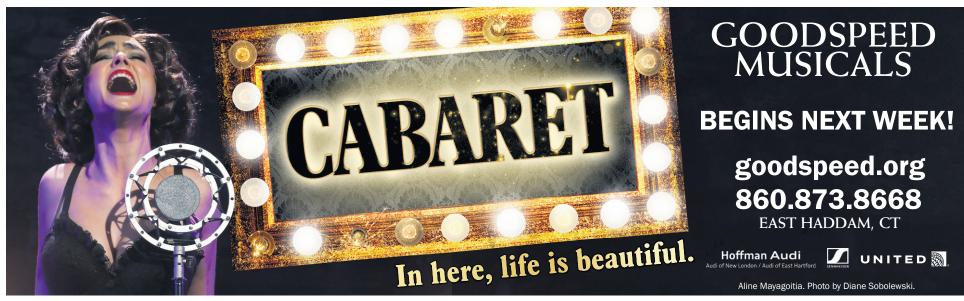
"That's why we are over-representative of lawyers, independently rich people, retired people and adults living in their parents' basement," he said.

State Rep. David Wilson, a Litchfield Republican, said he is retiring in part because of the low pay. He said he also found it difficult to recruit candidates to run for his seat under the current pay structure, which was designed for a parttime legislature and put in place in

He said he takes home about \$1,300 a month as a state representative, after taxes. Those with leadership or committee chair positions can earn more than \$40,000 a year.

"We're not getting rich on this obligation that we've taken on to work for the people of the state of Connecticut," Wilson said.

Connecticut is one of several states where bills were proposed this year to boost salaries.



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# Biden slams court's 'radical' draft

Chief justice orders investigation into Roe document leak

By Zeke Miller and Jessica Gresko Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden on Tuesday blasted a "radical" Supreme Court draft opinion that would throw out the landmark Roe v. Wade abortion rights ruling that has stood for a half-century.

The court cautioned no final decision had been made, but Biden warned that other privacy rights including same-sex marriage and birth control are at risk if the justices follow through.

Chief Justice John Roberts said he had ordered an investigation into what he called the "egregious breach of trust" in leaking the draft document, which was dated to February. Opinions often change in ways big and small in the drafting process, and a final ruling has not been expected until the end of the court's term in late June or early July.

Across the nation, Americans grappled with what might come next.

The Democratic-controlled Congress and White House both vowed to try to blunt the impact of such a ruling, but their prospects looked dim.

A decision to overrule Roe would have sweeping ramifications, leading to abortion bans in roughly half the states, sparking new efforts in Democratic-leaning states to protect access to abortion, and potentially reshaping the contours of this year's contested midterm elections.

The draft was published



Activists on both sides voice their opinions Tuesday in front of the Supreme Court building. ANNA MONEYMAKER/GETTY is a supreme for the supreme Court building. ANNA MONEYMAKER/GETTY is a supreme Court building b

by the news outlet Politico late Monday.

Biden said he hoped the draft wouldn't be finalized by justices, contending it reflects a "fundamental shift in American jurisprudence" that threatens "other basic rights" like access to birth control and marriage.

"If this decision holds, it's really quite a radical decision." he added.

"If the court does overturn Roe, it will fall on our nation's elected officials at all levels of government to protect a woman's right to choose," Biden also said.

Leaders in California and New York rolled out the welcome mat to their states for women seeking abortions, and other Democratic states moved to protect access to abortion in their

The court's ruling would be most acutely felt by women who don't have the means or ability to travel from states that have or stand poised to pass stiff abortion restrictions or outright bans.

Whatever the outcome, the Politico report represented a rare breach of the court's secretive deliberation process.

"Roe was egregiously wrong from the start," the draft opinion states. It was signed by Justice Samuel Alito, a member of the court's 6-3 conservative majority who was appointed by former President George W. Bush. The document was

labeled a "1st Draft" of the

"Opinion of the Court" in a

case challenging Mississippi's ban on abortion after 15 weeks.

The draft opinion in effect states there is no constitutional right to abortion services. It would allow indi-

states there is no constitutional right to abortion services. It would allow individual states to more heavily regulate or outright ban the procedure.

"We hold that Roe and

"We hold that Roe and Casey must be overruled," it states, referencing the 1992 case Planned Parenthood v. Casey that affirmed Roe's finding of a constitutional right to abortion services but allowed states to place some constraints on the practice. "It is time to heed the Constitution and return the issue of abortion to the people's elected representatives."

The draft opinion suggests that when the justices met in private shortly after arguments in the case Dec. 1, at least five — all the conservatives except perhaps Roberts — voted to overrule Roe and Casey, and Alito was assigned the task of writing the court's majority opinion.

Votes and opinions in a case aren't final until a decision is announced or, in a change wrought by the COVID-19 pandemic, posted on the court's website. Politico said it received "a copy of the draft opinion from a person familiar with the court's proceedings in the Mississippi case along with other details supporting the authenticity of the document."

The report comes amid a legislative push to restrict abortion in several GOP-led states — Oklahoma being the most recent — even before the court issues its decision.

The leak jump-started the intense political reverberations that the high court's ultimate decision was expected to have in the midterm election year. Politicians on both sides of the aisle were seizing on the Politico report for fundraising and to energize supporters

Democrats contended that several conservative justices misled senators about their feelings.

about their feelings.

And Maine Republican Susan Collins, who supports abortion rights but was a pivotal GOP vote for the confirmations of Justices Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh, said if the draft reflects the final opinion of the court, "it would be completely inconsistent with what Justice Gorsuch and Justice Kavanaugh said in their hearings and in our meetings in my office."

Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, told reporters on Capitol Hill that "my confidence in the court has been rocked."

Outside, the Supreme Court building, anti-abortion rights protesters carried signs that said "Ignore Roe" and "In God We Trust" while their pro-abortion-rights counterparts held placards declaring "Bans off our Bodies" and "Impeach Kavanaugh."

# Roe's potential fall shifts abortion battle to states

About half expected to ban procedure if decision overturned

By Lindsay Whitehurst and Michelle L. Price Associated Press

The bombshell leak of a draft opinion suggesting the Supreme Court is poised to overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade case legalizing abortion nationwide has set the country on course for an even more polarized and fluctuating landscape of

abortion rights.

Almost immediately, Republicans who had fostered a decadeslong push to end abortion rights cheered Roe's potential fall. Democrats vowed to fight the possible loss of a constitutional right that has been in place for nearly a half-century.

The Supreme Court confirmed the leaked draft, first published by Politico, was an authentic document but said Tuesday "it does not represent a decision by the court or the final position of any member on the issues in the case."

Though the draft opinion could change, Democrats and Republicans across the states pledged action amid warnings such a ruling could

also put other rights at risk — battles that could likewise play out in the states.

In California, Democrats who wield control of the state Legislature and the governor's office issued a joint statement late Monday announcing they would seek to amend the state's constitution to enshrine abortion rights.

"California will not stand idly by as women across America are stripped of their rights and the progress so many have fought for gets erased," the California Democrats said. "We know we can't trust the Supreme Court to protect reproductive rights, so California will build a firewall around this right in our state constitution. Women will remain protected here."

South Dakota Gov. Kristi Noem, a Republican, said on Twitter she plans to immediately call a special legislative session "to save lives" if Roe is overturned. The state already has a so-called trigger law that would make abortion illegal if that happens and Noem's office declined to say why a special session would be necessary.

Her spokesman, Ian Fury, said the tweet, "speaks for itself."

In Georgia, which is among several dozen states

electing governors this year, candidates on both sides of the aisle proclaimed they would prioritize the issue if elected to the state's top

Republican gubernatorial candidate David Perdue said he'd call state lawmakers into a special session to outlaw all abortions, while Democratic candidate Stacey Abrams said she would defend the right to abortion if she wins.

About half the states are expected to ban abortion if Roe falls, according to the abortion-rights think tank Guttmacher Institute. Twenty-two states — largely in the South and Midwest — already have total or near-total bans on the books. Aside from Texas, all are now blocked because of Roe.

In addition to South Dakota, 12 other states have trigger laws that would immediately ban abortion if Roe is overturned.

One is Oklahoma, where Republican House Speaker Charles McCall declared Tuesday that "decades of steadfast prayer and unwavering legislative efforts to protect the lives of the unborn are finally on the doorsteps of success."

A few states still have pre-Roe bans on the books, including Michigan, where



Longtime anti-abortion activist Barbara Beavers, left, prays Tuesday in Jackson, Miss., near the entrance to the parking lot of the state's last remaining abortion clinic. **ROGELIO V. SOLIS/AP** 

Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has sued to remove it and pledged on Twitter Monday to "fight like hell to make sure abortion remains safe, legal, and accessible."

The Kansas Supreme Court in 2019 declared that the state constitution protects abortion rights, but Republican lawmakers placed on the August primary ballot an initiative to overturn it.

In New Hampshire, Gov. Chris Sununu was a rare Republican governor who said he supports abortion rights and was committed to upholding Roe v. Wade.

"So long as I am governor, these health care services for women will remain safe and legal," Sununu said.

However, last year Sununu signed into law restrictions on abortion when he approved a measure banning abortion after 24 weeks of gestation, with exceptions only for pregnancies that threaten the mother's life or health.

Polling shows relatively few Americans want to see Roe overturned.

In 2020, AP VoteCast found that 69% of voters in the presidential election said the Supreme Court should leave the Roe v. Wade decision as is; just 29% said the court should overturn the decision. In general, AP-NORC polling finds a majority of the public favors abortion being legal in most or all cases.

At least eight GOP-led states have already passed new restrictions this year, expecting change from the conservative majority on the high court.

# Schumer vows vote on abortion law, but not change in filibuster rules

**By Lisa Mascaro** Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer angrily denounced as an "abomination" the Supreme Court's leaked draft decision that would overturn the nation's landmark Roe v. Wade ruling and vowed that if it stands the Senate will vote on legislation to uphold women's access to abortions.

Schumer said the conservative justices "lied" to the

Senate during confirmation hearings when they assured senators the case that since 1973 has allowed abortion access was settled law. He said with the draft opinion singulating "the

ion circulating, "the Supreme Court is poised to inflict the greatest restriction of rights in the past 50 years — not just on women, but on all Americans."

"This is a dark and disturbing morning in America," Schumer said Tuesday. But t

But the Democratic leader stopped short of promising to change Senate filibuster rules to allow Democrats to overcome Republi-

can obstruction and pass legislation that would salvage the landmark abortion law on their own, as some party advocates are demanding.

Schumer does not have the votes within the Democrats' razor-thin 50-vote majority to muscle through a rules change in the Senate that would allow Democrats to push past what is typically a 60-vote threshold on big bills.

Instead, the Democrats shifted attention swiftly and intently on the chamber's two most prominent Republicans who support abortion access — Sen. Susan Collins of Maine and Sen. Lisa Murkowski of Alaska. Both had refused to help Democrats stop confirmation of the Trump-era judges who

tipped the Supreme Court's majority to conservatives and are now putting the landmark ruling at risk.

Murkowski told reporters that if the direction of the draft becomes the final opinion, "I will just tell you that it rocks my confidence in the court right now."

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Murkowski and Collins introduced legislation this year to turn the court's long-standing opinion on Roe v. Wade into law and President Joe Biden on Tuesday urged Congress to do just that.

Collins in a statement pointed blame back to the justices themselves, personally singling out two of the three Trump-era judges, Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh, she had supported for confirmation.

Collins said if the leaked draft opinion on abortion becomes the ruling of the court, "it would be completely inconsistent with what Justice Gorsuch and Justice Kavanaugh said in their hearings and in our meetings in my office."



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# Trump effect felt in Ohio primary

Author Vance takes GOP Senate race, will face Dem Ryan

By Jill Colvin and Julie Carr Smyth Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Bestselling author JD Vance has won Ohio's contentious and hyper-competitive GOP Senate primary, buoyed by Donald Trump's endorsement in a race widely seen as an early test of the former president's hold on his party as the midterm season kicks into high gear.

Vance's win brings to a close an exceptionally bitter and expensive primary contest that, at one point, saw two candidates nearly come to blows on a debate stage. And it marks a major victory for Trump, who has staked his reputation as a GOP kingmaker on his ability to pull his chosen candidates across the finish line.

Vance had been behind in the polls before Trump waded into the race less than three weeks ago, endorsing the "Hillbilly Elegy" author and venture capitalist despite Vance's history as a staunch Trump critic. Vance has since said he was wrong and, like most of his rivals, tied himself to the former president, eagerly courting his endorsement and running on his "America First" platform, underscoring the extent to which



Incumbent Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine, left, will face Democrat and ex-Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley in November. PAUL VERNON/AP

the GOP has transformed in his image.

Vance will face Democrat Tim Ryan, the 10-term Democratic congressman who easily won his threeway primary Tuesday night. But November's general election to fill the seat being vacated by retiring Republican Sen. Rob Portman is expected to be an uphill climb for Ryan in a state Trump won twice by an 8-point margin and in what is expected to be a brutal election year for Democrats trying to hold their congressional majorities.

Tuesday marks the first multistate contest of the

2022 campaign and comes the day after the leak of a draft U.S. Supreme Court opinion that suggests the court could be poised to overturn the 1973 landmark Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion nationwide. Such a decision could have a dramatic impact on the course of the midterms, when control of Congress, governors' mansions and key elections offices are at

At the Strongsville library in suburban Cleveland, George Clark, 84, said he voted for Vance based on Trump's endorsement.

"I know he's had some

bad press, but I know he's a conservative and I always vote for conservatives." Clark said.

But Joanne Mondak, 71, said she voted for state Sen. Matt Dolan, the only major candidate who did not aggressively court Trump. The rest of the field, she said, are "nutcakes" who are "too much Trump."

Vance had been trailing in the polls until the former president backed the author in a contest that revolved largely around him. While the timing of Trump's endorsement — less than three weeks before Election Day and as early voting

was already underway — may have dulled its impact, it was a major blow to former state treasurer Josh Mandel, Cleveland investment banker Mike Gibbons and former Ohio Republican Party Chair Jane Timken, who had all gone to elaborate lengths to court Trump and his voters.

The race will also go down as the most expensive in state history, with more than \$66 million in TV and radio spending alone, according to the Columbus-based Medium Buying firm.

Ryan, a 10-term Democratic congressman who ran a failed bid for president in 2020, has tried to distance himself from the national Democratic Party ahead of what is expected to be a brutal November for Democrats.

During his acceptance speech, Ryan grew emotional.

"I am absolutely in my bones certain that we can do this if we come together, and it's not about finding our differences. It's not about hate," he said.

Also in Ohio, Democrat Nan Whaley, the former mayor of Dayton, will take on incumbent Republican Gov. Mike DeWine in Ohio's general election after both secured their parties' nominations Tuesday evening. While DeWine is widely

While DeWine is widely known in Ohio after a 40-year political career, he faced fierce backlash from conservatives over the COVID-19 shutdowns and mandates he imposed during the early months of the pandemic.

DeWine's three opponents — former U.S. Rep. Jim Renacci, former state Rep. Ron Hood and farmer Joe Blystone — all tapped into that anger, but appear to have split the far-right vote. Still, DeWine didn't take any chances and poured millions into advertising during the race's final weeks.

On the Democratic side, Whaley became the first woman in state history to receive a major party's backing. She defeated former Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley in a race that drew relatively little attention as much of the state focused on the contentious Senate Republican primary and the ongoing redistricting legal battle.

Trump-backed Secretary of State Frank LaRose won his party's nomination for another term, beating conservative challenger John Adams, who questioned the results of the 2020 presidential election. LaRose will face Democrat Chelsea Clark, a suburban Cincinnati City Council member and businesswoman, in November.

Meanwhile, in Indiana, more than a dozen state House members are trying to hold off Republican primary challengers who want to push the Legislature

# Pets welcome at homeless shelters

More see the value animals provide for vulnerable groups

By Christopher Weber
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Being homeless in Los Angeles and struggling with addiction is hard enough, but Rachel Niebur couldn't imagine enduring it without her dog Petey.

Niebur credits her constant companion, an energetic black-and-white chihuahua mix, with helping her keep off drugs and giving her a reason to get up in the morning.

"She needs me. She gives me my focus. I have to feed her. I have to walk her. It's a real relationship," said Niebur, before following Petey to the small, fenced-in dog park on the grounds of the shelter in the Venice neighborhood where the inseparable pair have lived for about two years.

Traditional homeless shelters have long been off limits to pets, leaving animal owners who want to get off the streets with a difficult choice.

But as homelessness surges across the U.S., those working toward a solution are increasingly recognizing the importance pets have for vulnerable populations and are looking for ways to keep owners and pets together.

When given the choice between getting shelter or giving up their pet, unhoused people will almost always choose to remain on the streets, said Tim Huxford, the associate director of the Venice facility that is now



Ro Mantooth with his dog, Champ, at a dog park with the nonprofit People Assisting the Homeless. It was the first facility of its kind in Los Angeles County to allow homeless shelter residents to bring their animal companions. **RICHARD VOGEL/AP** 

home to Niebur and Petey.
"So we always want t

"So we always want to reduce the amount of barriers that we have for people in bringing them off the street," Huxford added. "We realize that pets are like family to people."

The Venice shelter operated by the nonprofit People Assisting the Homeless, or PATH, was the first of its kind in Los Angeles County to allow residents to bring animal companions, Huxford said.

Thanks to a state grant, PATH has a budget for food, crates, toys and veterinary services under an initiative called the Pet Assistance and Support program.

In 2019, the pilot program provided \$5 million to nonprofits and local jurisdictions, and that amount was

doubled the following year.

Now pending legislation would make the grant program permanent, while expanding it across the state. State Sen. Robert Hertz-

State Sen. Robert Hertzberg, who wrote the bill that would expand the program, estimates that about 10% of homeless Californians have pets. And the reason many shelters don't accept animals is simply because they don't have resources to care for them, said Hertzberg, a dog owner.

He called pets "our comfort" and cited research that found animals provide companionship and a sense of purpose to people who don't have housing.

The Democrat from Los Angeles said it's just "raging common sense" to give nonprofits and other caregivers the budgets they need to feed and house pets, especially considering how much California already allocates to address the statewide

homelessness crisis.

"We're spending a billion dollars over here to get people off the street; why can't we spend a few dollars over there to put together veterinary services and dog food and crates? These are grants of between \$100,000 and \$200,000, so it's not a ton of money in the grand scheme of things," Hertzberg said.

The money would come the state's general fund, so it's not cutting into any existing funding, Hertzberg said.

The measure, SB513, unanimously passed the state Senate in January and now awaits consideration in the

Assembly.

The California law is part of a larger national recognition of the issue.

In neighboring Arizona, there are several organizations that take care of animals for residents who are struggling to get back on their feet.

A nonprofit no-kill shelter called Lost Our Home provides up to 90 days of pet care for homeless people while they search for a permanent place to live following a crisis like eviction, domestic violence or medical treatment.

Don Kitch manages one of several shelters operated in the Phoenix area by the nonprofit Family Promise, among the few that allow people to keep their pets at a separate area for the animals at the site.

He said his shelter was housing four dogs, two cats and a Guinea pig.

"Unfortunately, there are very few facilities around here that will accept pets," Kitch said.

He said many shelters do allow service animals, and less frequently emotional support animals.

Kitch said the Arizona Humane Society takes in pets for 90 days to allow their owners time to find stable housing, while the Sojourner Center allows domestic violence victims to keep their pets at the shelter.

Kitch said Family Promise used a grant from PetSmart to get started with its program to house pets.

He said he'd welcome a law like California's, because "anything to defray the cost would be ideal for a nonprofit homeless shelter like ours." The national nonprofit Best Friends Animal Society has joined forces with Catholic Charities USA to push for programs that keep homeless people and their pets together.

The group Feeding Pets

The group Feeding Pets of the Homeless organizes veterinary clinics and donation drives for pet food and supplies.

The ASPCA and other animal care groups are urging the California bills' passage. "The ASPCA believes

that financial circumstances alone are not reliable indicators of the capacity to love and care for a companion animal and that pets are incredible source of support and companionship in our lives, especially during times of stress and uncertainty," said Susan Riggs, the ASPCA's Senior Director of Housing Policy.

One of Petey's canine companions at the Venice PATH facility is Champ, a pit bull mix that his owner Ro Mantooth calls "the mascot" of the shelter.

"He's really my best friend. I don't know what I'd do without him," Mantooth, 29, said of Champ. "I'm lucky to have him. Not a lot of places are going to take animals, you know?"

In addition to Petey and Champ, there are eight other dogs and one cat at the Venice shelter.

Huxford said another PATH facility has a parrot in a cage. Technically, there are no rules about what animals can be admitted, he said, but that hasn't been tested yet.

"If someone came in with an elephant, I guess we'd have to see," he said.

# Even as COVID-19 cases rise, mask mandates stay shelved

By Bobby Caina Calvan and Steve LeBlanc

Associated Press

NEW YORK — An increase in COVID-19 infections around the U.S. has sent more cities into new high-risk categories that are supposed to trigger indoor mask wearing, but much of the country is stopping short of bringing back restrictions amid deep pandemic fatigue.

For weeks, much of upstate New York has been in the high-alert orange zone, a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention designation that reflects serious community spread. The CDC urges people to mask up in indoor public places, including schools, regard-

less of vaccination status. But few, if any, local jurisdictions in the region brought back a mask requirement despite rising case counts.

In New York City, cases are again rising and this week crossed the city's threshold for "medium risk," indicating the widening spread of the subvariant knowns as BA.2 that has swept the state's northern reaches. But there appears to be little appetite from Mayor Eric Adams to do an about-face months after allowing residents to shed masks and put away vaccination cards that were required to enter restaurants and concert halls. Adams has said the city could pivot and reimpose mandates.

impose mandates.
"I don't anticipate many

places, if any, going back to mask mandates unless we see overflowing hospitals," said professor David Larsen, a public health expert at Syracuse University in upstate New York, whose own county is an orange zone. "People are still dying, but

not in the same numbers," he said. Nationally, hospitaliza-

Nationally, hospitalizations are up slightly but still as low as any point in the pandemic. Deaths have steadily decreased in the last three months to nearly the lowest numbers.

The muted response reflects the exhaustion of the country after two years of restrictions and the new challenges that health leaders are facing at this phase of the pandemic.

An abundance of at-home virus test kits has led to a steep undercount of COVID-19 cases that were once an important benchmark. Researchers estimate that more than 60% of the country was infected with the virus during the omicron surge, bringing high levels of protection on top of the tens of millions of vaccinations. Hospitalizations have increased but only slightly.

In Boston, even as COVID-19 cases began to tick up again, there's been little drive to reimpose the indoor mask mandate city officials largely lifted two months ago. Boston still requires masks in schools and on school buses. A statewide mask mandate was lifted for schools at the end of February.

The city is now focused on what Boston Mayor Michelle Wu has described as recovery efforts, including attracting workers and visitors back to the city's downtown as health officials continue to urge caution.

In Maine, there have been few efforts to reinstate COVID-19 precautions, even after Democratic Gov. Janet Mills tested positive for COVID-19 at the end of April. The 74-year-old, who had received a second booster, said she believes that's "one of the reasons why I am still feeling well" and encouraged others to get

vaccinated.

One of the most jarring reactions came in Philadelphia, which last month abandoned its indoor mask mandate days after becoming the first U.S. metropolis to reimpose compulsory masking in response to an increase in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations.

City officials, who had said they wanted to head off a new wave of infections, abruptly backtracked after what they said was an unexpected drop in the number of people in the hospital and a leveling-off of new infections. The turnabout came amid rising opposition to the reinstatement, but city officials said the decision was about data.

### **NEWS BRIEFING**

# New Mexico wildfire prompts call for US disaster declaration

From news services

LAS VEGAS, N.M. — The governor of New Mexico on Tuesday asked President Joe Biden to declare a disaster as firefighters scrambled to clear brush, build fire lines and spray water to keep the largest blaze burning in the U.S. from destroying more homes in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains.

Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham signed a request for a presidential disaster declaration that will be sent to the White House in hopes of freeing up financial assistance for recovery efforts. She said it was important that the declaration be made now.

"I'm unwilling to wait," said Lujan Grisham, a first-term Democrat who is running for reelection. "I have 6,000 people evacuated, I have families who don't know what the next day looks like, I have families who are trying to navigate their children and health care resources, figure out their livelihoods and they're in every single little community and it must feel to them like they are out there on their

A battery of fire engines and their crews were busy Tuesday working to protect homes and other structures on the edge of Las Vegas, about 70 miles east of Santa Fe, while bulldozers cleared more fire lines on the outskirts. Air tanker and helicopter pilots took advantage of a break in the thick smoke and falling ash during the early hours to battle the flames from above with fire retardant and water drops.

Authorities in northeastern New Mexico said the flames were a couple miles from Las Vegas, which serves as an economic hub for most of northeastern New Mexico.

The blaze has charred 228 square miles of moun-

tainsides, ponderosa pines and meadows, destroying around 170 homes in its path and forcing the evacuation of the state's psychiatric hospital in Las Vegas. Schools in the community also canceled classes at least through Wednesday.

The governor said during the briefing that the number of homes destroyed would likely go much higher given the ground that the fire has covered and the villages that it moved through over the past week. Assessments by law enforcement were ongoing

ing.
Wildfires have become a year-round threat in the drought-stricken West and they are moving faster and burning hotter than ever due to climate change, scientists and fire experts say.

NY lieutenant governor: U.S. Rep. Antonio Delgado will serve as New York's next lieutenant governor, New York Gov. Kathy Hochul announced Tuesday.

Delgado, a Democrat, will take on the largely ceremonial role previously formerly held by Brian Benjamin, who resigned following his arrest on federal corruption charges he denies.

Hochul touted fellow Delgado's work in Congress on bills to help veterans, small business and those with student loan debt.

Delgado, a Rhodes scholar who briefly pursued a rap career after earning a Harvard law degree, had campaigned on universal access to Medicare, creating good jobs and eliminating tax loopholes for the rich.

It was not made clear immediately when Delgado, who was first elected in 2018, would take office.

**Body in barrel:** The body found inside a barrel on the newly exposed bottom of



**Chow time:** People gather to receive portions of a giant milanesa in a celebration of the dish's national day Tuesday in Lujan, Argentina. The milanesa is breaded steak or veal that is pan-fried and can be eaten with side dishes or in a sandwich. The meat for the dish prepared Tuesday weighed in at just over 2,000 pounds. **VICTOR R. CAIVANO/AP** 

Lake Mead after the lake's level was depleted amid drought is that of a man who was shot, police said Tuesday.

The killing probably happened between the mid-1970s and the early 1980s because the victim was wearing shoes that were manufactured during that period, said homicide Lt. Ray Spencer, the Las Vegas Review-Journal reported.

The barrel was found Sunday in the Lake Mead National Recreational Area by boaters who informed authorities.

Drought has dropped the water level of Lake Mead on the Colorado River in southern Nevada and northern Arizona so low that Las Vegas' uppermost water intake became visible last week.

Migrant camp relocation: Mexican authorities said Tuesday they have relocated a migrant camp that sprung up in a park in the border city of Reynosa, moving about 2,000 people to a shelter in the city, across the border from McAllen, Texas.

The camp of migrants mainly from Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras and Haiti sprung up after U.S. officials. citing the COVID-19 pandemic, invoked a health rule that denies migrants a chance to seek asylum.

Mexico's National Immigration Institute said the migrants were taken before midnight Monday to the shelter, which it said will have better hygiene and food services.

But also on Monday, people in the border city of Nuevo Laredo said hundreds of migrants, mainly Haitians, have streamed into the city, which is across the border from Laredo, Texas.

The rush apparently started after the U.S. began processing some asylum seekers there.

**Obesity in Europe:** The World Health Organization says the rates of people who

are obese and overweight in Europe have hit "epidemic proportions," with nearly 60% of adults and a third of children in one of those categories.

In a report Tuesday, the U.N. health agency's European office said the prevalence of obesity among adults is higher across the continent than any other world region except for the Americas.

"Alarmingly, there have been consistent increases in the prevalence of overweight and obesity in the WHO European region and no member state is on track to reach the target of halting the rise in obesity by 2025," the report said. Among the countries it counts in its Europe region, WHO said the highest rates of obesity were seen in Turkey, Malta, Israel and Britain.

WHO said being overweight or obese is among the leading causes of death in the region and is responsible for more than 1 million deaths every year. WHO called for countries to adopt policies to improve "environmental factors" linked to obesity, including taxing sugary drinks.

China building collapse: Rescuers have found two more survivors in the rubble of a building in central China that collapsed last week, state media reported Tuesday.

The official Xinhua News Agency said a man and a woman were pulled out Monday afternoon and early Tuesday.

The woman, whose rescue came after being buried for 88 hours, alerted workers using life detection equipment to her presence by knocking on objects.

The collapse of the six-story building took place Friday afternoon in Changsha, the Hunan provincial capital south of Beijing.

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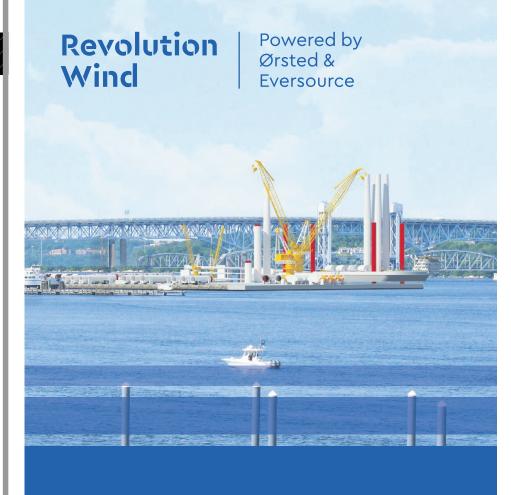
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# PINION

# It's time to stop smearing Biden's mental capacity

By Jonathan Bernstein

Bloomberg Opinion

Former President Donald Trump managed to mangle the name of a candidate he endorsed during a rally over the weekend. In the Ohio Senate Republican primary race, Trump endorsed the author and venture capitalist J.D. Vance over (among others) former state Treasurer Josh Mandel and proclaimed, "We've endorsed J.P., right? J.D. Mandell."

So what does that tell us about Trump? Easy answer: Absolutely nothing.

It does, however, remind us of something important about presidential candidates (including former presidents doing candidate-like things) and presidents: Anyone who has cameras on them every time they are in public is going to be caught in flubs and awkward moments.

I bring this up mainly because of one of the many ugly things that's happened during Joe Biden's presidency: The smear that he's lost it — that he's cognitively impaired. It's a frequent explicit refrain within Republican-aligned media, and quite a few Republican politicians, Trump included, have repeated it. I don't know quite how common the belief in it is among Republican voters, but judging from my reader mail, many of them treat it as simply a well-known fact that the U.S. president is barely able to function.

As bad as smearing the mental capacity of political opponents is - and I do think this is the worst I've ever seen it — it's not new, and it's not a case where only Republicans are guilty. Many Democrats thought Trump, another aging politician, had serious cognitive deficits, just as they had believed Presidents George W. Bush and Ronald Reagan were stupid. Republicans believed that President Barack Obama was so stupid that he was incapable of functioning without a teleprompter (despite the obvious fact that Obama was constantly seen in public giving perfectly cogent statements without one).

Vice presidents get the same treatment, including the current No. 2 Kamala Harris and former Vice President Dan Quayle, neither of whom had a reputa-



Some believe that Joe Biden, 79, is cognitively impaired. Bloomberg's Jonathan Bernstein notes that presidents from both parties have been subjected to such smears. SUSAN WALSH/AP

tion for being morons before they ran for high office. Because they were not morons. The "evidence" in each of these cases was made up in large part of video clips similar to Trump's mangled Ohio Senate endorsement line. It's true that some politicians collect more of those than others, but anyone at the presidential-candidate level generates enough to make a bogus case that they're incapable of functioning, especially given that political rivals have a habit of collecting and reusing the clips.

This doesn't mean that presidents shouldn't be held to account for substantive mistakes. Reagan had an unfortunate habit of telling invented stories as if they were true, and was hard to correct once he added one of those tall tales to his repertoire. Trump ... oh, where to begin? After seven years of being president and running for president, Trump still butchers basic facts and concepts about virtually every public policy domain while rarely giving evidence that he knows better. Biden? He's always had a problem with shooting off his

mouth — blurting out what's on his mind whether it's well-considered or not. He's probably better now than he was in the 1980s, but it still happens.

None of that has anything to do with reaching clumsily for a word, or getting a date or name wrong, or looking briefly confused. Those are all unremarkable things that all humans do. But most of us aren't on camera constantly, and even when we are, few of us have anyone scouring the tapes looking to "prove" there's something wrong with us.

Biden is 79, and looks it. His stutter has worsened. (Some Republicans have claimed the stutter is some sort of latterday fiction, but it's been written about throughout Biden's career, including in Richard Ben Cramer's brilliant book, "What It Takes," about Biden and five other 1988 presidential candidates. The slurs on this topic are particularly cruel, not just to Biden but to all who suffer from difficulty speaking).

But Biden is also constantly in meet-

ings with members of Congress (including Republicans), military leaders and independent civil servants, interest group and party leaders, governors and mayors, and foreign leaders of friendly and unfriendly nations. To believe that he is impaired requires a belief in a massive conspiracy, in many cases against interest, by thousands of people.

In fact, we know what would happen. We've seen people talking to reporters about their suspicions that California Sen. Dianne Feinstein is no longer capable of serving. Nor is that the first time we've seen similar concerns about other politicians in trouble, with examples from behind closed doors, show up in print. And all we have to do to find embarrassing stories of presidential behavior leaking out from foreign summits, meetings with congressional leaders and even White House staff is to go back to Trump's presidency, where rarely a week went by without some such reporting. If there was a real problem, we might not be certain about it but we would have real evidence.

This doesn't mean that Biden should be above criticism. For example, his statement about Ukraine on Friday was pretty listless, although he perked up once he started answering questions from the press. It's also fair to discuss whether voters should hold age against Biden (and Trump, and Hillary Clinton when she ran in 2016). The presidency is a brutal burden, and while older politicians are rightly eligible, there's nothing wrong with preferring younger candidates who might hold up better over four or eight years.

But the smears? Consider this a bit of media literacy education: Presidents have to be in public constantly, and their every move and word and facial expression is recorded, and that means that there's more than enough fodder to "prove" almost any narrative to sympathetic audiences predisposed to believe the worst. With Biden, it's cognitive impairment; with George W. Bush, it was stupidity; with Bill Clinton, it was deviousness. Don't fall for it.

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A nationwide speed limit of 55 mph was imposed in response to the 1973 oil embargo and abandoned in the 1990s. Above, traffic clogs a Los Angeles freeway. DAMIAN DOVARGANES/AP 2018

# Driving slowly won't help defeat Putin

By Stephen L. Carter Bloomberg Opinion

While we're on the subject of swashbuckling billionaires, Richard Branson has lately proposed lowering speed limits, a move he says will save gasoline and thereby reduce the flow of money to Russian President Vladimir Putin's war machine.

I'm all for defeating Putin, but making drivers slow down would have little impact on his oil sales.

Let's start with the obvious: We've been here before. In response to the 1973 oil embargo, the U.S. Congress mandated a 55 mph limit nationwide to save gasoline, a rule that was softened in the 1980s and abandoned in 1995. That's essentially the rule that Branson wants the West to adopt in response to the invasion of Ukraine.

Alas, our two-decade experiment with the 55 mph limit reduced gasoline consumption by at most 1% — probably much less — a finding that led the National Research Council to conclude dryly that the policy's effect on fuel conservation "was not large."

Branson has in mind expressways, but although the average car hits peak fuel efficiency at 55-60 mph, most driving takes place in cities and towns, where both speed limits and efficiency are much lower. And even if we stick to expressways, setting limits according to the performance of the average vehicle misses the fact that lots of vehicles in current production do better at higher speeds.

In 2021, Car and Driver tested fuel

efficiency at 75 mph. At that speed, a number of cars, all of them luxury models, exceeded their EPA highway ratings by more than 30%.

So if speed limits are about fuel efficiency, maybe those able to afford, say, the Porsche Panamera (43% higher fuel efficiency at 75 mph) or the BMW X3 Competition (39% increase) should be allowed to go faster. After all, the necessary technol-

ogy exists. One might object that letting owners of fancy cars drive faster than the rest of us would be ... well unequal. That concern, ironically, takes us back to the roots of speed limits, during the late years of the Gilded Age, when automobiles were seen as the playthings of the rich.

Connecticut adopted the first statewide motor vehicle speed limits in the U.S. in 1901. But already by the 1890s many cities and towns had followed the European model by establishing their own, classing automobiles with carriages and railroads and bicycles (yes!) as vehicles that should be forced to slow down within municipal

The very notion created conflict. To the elite of that era, the great speed at which cars could travel was considered an advantage — even a guaranty of safety. "Tramps might stop a horse and hold up the riders," wrote Vogue in 1899. "But not an automobile." The ability of the motor vehicle to escape an attacker, the magazine noted, would serve particularly to protect women traveling alone.

Not everyone agreed. In an editorial that

would hardly have been out of place today, the New York Times called for mandated speed limits to combat the "irresistible temptation" to drive too fast. Nobody, wrote the paper, would buy "a slow and safe automobile." And the wealthy were to blame: "The chauffeurs have become so reckless, and are knocking foot passengers around at such a rate, that vigorous measures are demanded for the protection of life and limb."

Worry about collisions combined with class resentment to propel regulation of what was seen as an expensive toy. When residents of Hempstead on New York's Long Island decided to slow the motor vehicles that zipped through their village, a Boston newspaper sniffed that "farmers" were now telling wealthy urbanites heading to their summer houses how to operate their automobiles.

Playing to the general disapproval of motor vehicles, newspapers took glee in covering mishaps. In May 1902, the Times reported the arrest of one I. Townsend Burden, a member of the city's fabled "four hundred," for driving his car above the speed limit on Central Park West. The story noted with evident delight that the fancy automobile was chased down "by a bicycle policeman."

In the ensuing decades, as automobile prices fell and ownership became common, speed limits throughout the country rose steadily. So did motor vehicle fatality rates, which peaked in 1937 at 30.8 per 100,000 population.

Four years later, everybody slowed

down.

Although we tend to link concern about fuel economy to the 1973 oil embargo, the epochal event was actually World War II. Everyone knows gasoline was rationed. What's less well remembered is that in March 1941, when the U.S. was still technically not involved, President Franklin D. Roosevelt asked drivers to stay below 40 mph to conserve gasoline (and perhaps more important, rubber) for military use. Many states wrote the suggestion into law. Even in those that didn't, most drivers honored the president's request.

After the war, speed limits rose again, and here we are.

Which brings us back to Branson's advice. Were Sir Richard calling for stricter speed limits to save lives, he might have a case, although even there, the evidence is

If he were proposing that we save fuel by imposing different speed limits on different vehicles, he'd be making an intriguing claim about the possibilities of today's technology.

If he were suggesting that we conserve massively in order to send fuel to the Ukrainian military, he'd be making an argument in the tradition of FDR.

Instead, his idea is that if we all just drive a bit slower, we'll reduce gasoline consumption so greatly that Putin will feel the pain — a notion that, however well intended, is simply wrong.

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### LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF AVON

At a virtual regular meeting for a public hearing held on Thursday, April 28, 2022, via GoToMeeting, the Zoning Board of Appeals voted as follows:

Appeal of Virginia Brown, Owner of 86 Woodford Hills Drive; regarding the Zoning Enforcement Officer's interpretation and determination of the Avon Zoning Regulations regarding the definition of structure as it pertains to a fence/wall. This Appeal is being brought under Avon Zoning Regulations, Section X.C.2., and pertains to property located at 94 Woodford Hills Drive in an RU2A Zone – DENIED Zone – DENIED

This notice has been posted to the Zoning Board of Appeals page on the Town of Avon website, as per the current executive orders (related to COVID-19) as issued by the Governor of the State of Connecticut.

Copy of this notice is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, Avon Town Hall. Dated at Avon this 2nd day of May, 2022.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS Eileen Carroll, Chair Christy Yaros, Vice-chair 5/4/2022 7204462

### Request for Bids

Community Partners in Action, Inc. (CPA) is requesting bids for two Spray Paint Simulators that provides a realistic experience of spray painting for a juvenile secure ence of spray painting for a juvenile secure residential treatment program located in Handen, CT and a juvenile staff secure residential program located in Hartford, CT. CPA is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization. The bid specifications will be provided via email by contacting Imaraia@cpa-ct.org. Any questions regarding this bid must be in writing. No phone calls will be accepted. Sealed bids must be received on or Sealed bids must be received on or before 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 12th, at Community Partners in Action, Inc., 110 Bartholomew Avenue, Suite 3010, Hartford,

CT 06106. Emailed bids to Imaraia@cpa-ct. org will be accepted if received by the dead-line. Due to Covid-19, this will not be a public 5/4/22 7204894

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# LEGAL NOTICE GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Glastonbury Town Council will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, May 10, 2022, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall, 2155 Main Street, Glastonbury and/or by Zoom Video Conferencing to consider the following:

1. Action on Proposed Amendments to Town Code Article IV, Demolition of Buildings, Sections 5-63 and 5-64. 2. Action on Property Tax Exemption – Gold Star Parents and Spouses.

Dated at Glastonbury, CT this 2nd day of May, 2022.

GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL By: Thomas P. Gullotta, Chairman 5/4/2022 7204792

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The Mansfield Inland Wetlands Agency will hold the following Public Hearing on Monday, May 16, 2022 via a web-based virtual meeting to hear comments regarding the following application:

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38.109.38) No information from the public shall be received after the close of the Public Hearing. Additional information regarding this application is nformation regarding this application is available in the Planning Office.

Paul Aho, Chair Vera Ward, Secretary 5/4/,5/11/22 7204714

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Monday May,23 2022 at 10am Any questions regarding the above information are to be addressed to the manage of this facility at the phone number shown

### 5/4,5/6/22 7203594 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Wethersfield is accepting bids

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All proposals must be submitted on forms and in accordance with specifications supplied by the Town of Wethersfield, Purchasing Office, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109. Specification packages may be downloaded at: https://wethersfieldct.gov/finance/open-bids

Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. local time on May 13, 2022. 5/4/2022 7205003

At a GoToMeeting held on April 26, 2022, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the Town of Avon voted as follows:

Avon's Affordable Housing Plan 2022-2027, Avon's Affordable Housing Plan 2 per CGS Sec 8-30j Approved Effective May 6, 2022

Dated at Avon this 2nd day of May, 2022. Copy of this notice is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk, Avon Town Hall.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

### THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT EAST HARTFORD WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY AERATION, DO CONTROL, AND SCADA UPGRADES – PHASE 3B CONTRACT NUMBER 2022B-04 INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Bids for construction of Contract Number 2022B-04 Aeration, DO Control, and SCADA Upgrades – Phase 3B will be received by The Metropolitan District, at the office of the District Clerk of the Metropolitan District, 555 Main Street, Hartford, CT, 06103 until 2:00 PM (Local Time), June 6, 2022 and at that time and place bids will be opened and read aloud. Please note that this project is being funded by the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Clean Water Fund.

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The Work shall consist of all labor, equipment, fees, permits, and other related costs necessary to provide for construction related to upgrades for the Aeration Tanks; upgrades for the Sludge Blending and Pumping Station; upgrades for the Peturn Activated Sludge Pump Station; electrical upgrades for the Raw Sewage Pumping Station, Administration Building, Chlorine Building, and Effluent Pump Station; roof repairs to several facilities; and the installation of a new entrance gate. Two Bid Alternate temporal facilities at the EHWCPF and Bid Alternate B, which provides for Additional Site Paving, Bidders are directed to Section 01010 Summary of Work for specific details. The Work shall be located at the East Hartford Water Pollution Control Facility in the Town of East Hartford; in the State of Connecticut as shown on the Drawings and specified therein.

Contract documents may be obtained from the Metropolitan District's electronic procurement bidding system. Prospective Bidders must register at the web site; once registered, prospective bidders can download the bid package from the web site at http://mdc.procureware.com/home. A copy of the Contract documents may be requested by contacting the District Clerk's Office at 860.278.7850, Ext. 3207.

Each Bid shall be submitted in strict accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and shall be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of 10 percent of the Bid. Bidders on this work are required to comply with 40 CFR Part 33.240 of the United States Environmental Protection Agency's policy on the increased utilization of Minority Business Enterprise's (MBE's) and Women Business Enterprise's (MBE's). The requirements for bidders and subcontractors to this work will be required in the Instructions to Bidders and contractors covered by this policy are explained i

of Connecticut State Agencies. A copy of these Regulations is included in the Supplementary Conditions.

The Bidder shall hold a current DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate in WATER TREATMENT PLANTS from the Department of Administrative Services of the State of Connecticut according to C.G.S.§4a-100, C.G.S.§4b-101 and C.G.S.§4b-91. Bidders shall submit with their Bids their DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate along with a current Update Bid Statement. In addition, any named Subcontractor whose subcontract value is equal to or greater than \$500,000 shall hold a current DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate in the closest applicable Classification of the work that the Subcontractor will complete in the contract. The bidder must submit with their bid, all applicable Subcontractor DAS Prequalification certificates. Any Bid submitted without a copy of the DAS Prequalification Certificate and an Update Bid Statement for the bidder and DAS Prequalification Certificates for Subcontractors whose subcontract value is equal to or greater than \$500,000 shall be invalid.

Since MBE/WBE Subcontractors are not required to be named at bid submission, Bidders do not need to include MBE/WBE Subcontractor Prequalification Certificates with their bids. However, as to proposed MBE/WBE Subcontractors whose subcontract value is equal to or greater than \$500,000, the DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificates in to required with the bid, but within 14 days of the notification of designation as the apparent low bidder, the apparent low bidder shall submit to the Owner a current DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificates on to required work classification for each such MBE/WBE Subcontractor. Bidders do not need to include MBE/WBE Subcontractor Prequalification Certificates with their bids. The Subcossful Bidder and each of its Subcontractor the Prequalification Certificate for on each to include MBE/WBE Subcontractor have guarder than \$500,000 shall maintain and keep current their respective DAS Contractor or g

or greater than \$500,000 shall maintain and keep current their respective DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificates at all times during the term of the Contract and any warranty period set forth in the Contract Documents. A mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and Site Tour will be held for potential bidders at 10:00 AM on

May 13, 2022. The pre-bid conference will be held at the East Hartford Water Pollution Control Facility, located at 65 Pitkin Street, East Hartford, Connecticut. Subsequent to the Conference a site tour will be held on site. Prospective bidders must attend both the Pre-Bid Conference and Site Tour and provided requested information on the sign-in sheet provided at the start of the pre-bid conference and initial the sign-in sheet following the conclusion of the site tour in order to submit a bid. All prospective bidders are invited to ask questions of the District and/ or the District's Agent(s) during this conference, but only written responses to such questions may alter information contained in the Bid Documents. John S. Mirtle

District Clerk 5/4/2022 7204633

### INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Wethersfield is accepting bids on the following

ELDERLY/DISABLED TRANSPORTATION All proposals must be submitted on forms and in accordance with specifications supplied by the Town of Wethersfield, Purchasing Office, 505 Silas Deane Highway,

Wethersfield, CT 06109. Specification packages may be downloaded at: https://wethersfieldct.gov/finance/open-bids Proposals will be received until

2:00 p.m. local time on May 24, 2022. 5/4/2022 7204985

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Town of Wethersfield is accepting bids

EMPLOYEE INSURANCE & BENEFIT AGENT

All proposals must be submitted on forms and in accordance with specifications supplied by the Town of Wethersfield, Purchasing Office, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109. packages may be downloaded at: https:// vethersfieldct.gov/finance/open-bids

Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m local time on May 13, 2022. 5/4/2022 7205011

### NOTICE

Tecton Architects, acting as agent for the Wheeler Clinic, will receive qualified general contractor proposals for the work associated with the project known as Wheeler Integrated Health Center Renovation 3rd Floor, 40 Hart Street, New Britain, CT 06052. Bids shall be submitted, on or before 2:00 p.m. local time on Friday, June 3, 2022. Bids received after this deadline will not be opened nor considered. Bids shall be either emailed to Edward Widofsky, edwardw@tectonpc.com or delivered via UPS, FEDEX or USPS to Edward Widofsky Tecton Architects, 34 Sequassen

Street. Suite 200, Hartford, CT 06106 Drawings and specifications can be obtained electronically free of charge, on or after Monday, May 2, 2022. Please reach out to christinea@tectonpc.com or at 860.548.0802, to request an electronic copy of the documents. Questions must be submitted in writing, and should be emailed to Christine Alson, on or before 2:00 p.m. local time on Thursday, May 26, 2022. All questions will be responded to via addendum. All addenda will be distributed electronically to all bidders who have requested documents, and the final addendum will be distributed on or before 5:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, May 31, 2022. A non-mandatory walkfrough of the existing building will be held at 9:30 a.m. local time on Wednesday, May 11, 2022. of the documents. Ouestions must be sub

The project includes full interior fit-out of the The project includes full interior fit-out of the highest level in a four story medical office building (third story above grade), to create office, conference and counseling room space. Full MEP interior work is included, as well as paving work at the northeast corner of the site. No work is included for core or shell. The remainder of the building is fully occupied, and utility/core drilling work on the

The Owner reserves the rights to accept any, all or any part of bids; to reject any, all or any part of bids; to waive any non-material deficiencies in bid responses, to waive minor inconsistencies; and to award the bid that in its judgment will be in the best interests of the Owner.

Wheeler Clinic is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. S/M/W/DBE's and DAS Certified are encouraged to participate. 5/4/2022 7204906

Town of Chaplin Request For Sealed Bid Asphalt Paving Services FY 2022-2023 Chaplin Public Works Department is request ing bids from contractors to provide asphalt paving and shimming services for the Town of Chaplin. Said services will include various

shimming and paving as requested on vari

ous roads within town A copy of this RFB can be obtained from the Town of Chaplin by emailing assistant@ chaplinct.org until the expiration date of this solicitation. It is incumbent upon the Respondent to check the Town website for additional information and/or addendums Copies of this RFB can also be obtained Town of Chaplin, Town Hall, 495 Phoenixville Road, Chaplin CT 06235, If you have any questions, please call the contact identified above as it relates to your concern. Questions regarding the scope of services must be submitted to the Public Works Contact, David Stone at (860) 455-0030 or cell (860) 576-2574 prior to the deadline on

Bids are due prior to Tuesday, May 24th at 2:30 pm and must be delivered or mailed to First Selectman's Office located at 495 Phoenixville Rd. Chaplin, CT 06235.

Late Bids will not be accepted

Tuesday, May 24th at 2:30 pm

# PUBLIC HEARING

The Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission will hold the following Public Hearings on Monday, May 16, 2022 via web-based virtual meeting to hear comments regarding the following applications:

6:05 PM: Application for Modification to Approved Special Permit for a Tasting Room on property located at 114 Mansfield Hollow Road, SMNJ, LLC (Applicant), (PZC File 1118).6:10 PM: Special Permit Application of CPH Mansfield LLC for mixed use development (automotive sales & services, retail, and restaurants including two drive-through facilities) at 106 Storrs Road (Assessor's Parcel ID 38.109.38).PZC File 882-2. No information from the public shall be received after the close of the Public Hearings. Additional information regarding these applications is available in the Planning Office. 6:05 PM: Application for Modification to

# **Liquor Notices**

LIQUOR PERMIT NOTICE OF APPLICATION

This is to give notice that I, TIMOTHY BRIGNOLE, 117 PEAK MOUNTAIN DR EAST GRANBY CT 06026. Have filed an application placarded 4/27/22 with the

Department of Consumer Protection for a CAFE LIQUOR PERMIT for the sale of alcoholic liquor on the premises at 103 HARTFORD AVE EAST GRANBY CT 06026. The business will be owned by BRIGNOLE VINEYARDS LLC. Entertainment will consist of: Acoustics (not amplified), Disc Jockeys, Live Bands, Comedians Objections must be filed by: 06/08/22.

4/27/22

TIMOTHY BRIGNOLE 4/27 & 5/4/22 7187104

### **OBITUARIES BY TOWN**

Manchester

Middletown

**New Britain** 

Bernice M. Tompkins

Ramona Edstrom

Avon Richard H. Griffin, Sr. Elizabeth G. Partyka **Bristol** 

Linda J. Hayward Magda Jabs Burlington Clayton T. Aiudi, Jr. Brenda L. Denno

Richard H. Griffin, Sr. Canton Elizabeth G. Partyka **East Granby** John A. Bruno

**East Hampton** Ramona Edstrom **East Hartford** Richard Carnegie Bernice M. Tompkins Margarita Torres

Enfield Florence Leishman Farmington Clayton T. Aiudi, Jr. John A. Casasanta Glastonbury Donald H. Foberg

Hartford Nancy Daer Edward B. Thomas Margarita Torres Rose Zito

Carol W. Case Ross

Granby

Donald H. Foberg Linda J. Hayward Newington John A. Casasanta Other Towns in CT Richard Carnegie John B. Ferrigno John B. Pease Malcolm K. White **Out of State** John A. Bruno Pamela Styers Plainville Pamela Styers

Simsbury John B. Ferrigno **West Hartford** Jeffrey K. Lundberg Edward B. Thomas Wethersfield

Nancy Daer Windsor Locks Carol W. Case Ross

Denotes name listing only. Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

### **OBITUARIES**

# Casasanta, John A.



John A. Casasanta, 59, of Newington, passed peacefully on May 2, 2022. Born in Hartford, devoted son of Valerie (Sciullo) Casasanta of Newington and the late Salvatore J. Casasanta, he was raised in Farmington and lived there for most of his life be-fore moving to Newington. John worked for General Re Corporation before starting

Corporation before starting his own business. He loved to hike on Avon Mountain and play golf, but most of all, he loved to bowl with his bowling league every Friday night at Bowl-O-Rama, where he made many lifelong friends. He was a devoted Boston Red Sox fan and never missed a game. John was a member of the Newington Conservation Commission. He is survived by his mother Valerie, his sister Diana Serra and her husband Robert F. Serra, Sr., his nephew Robert F. Serra, Jr. and his daughters Kylie and Savannah, all of Newington. Relatives and friends are invited to call on Thursday, May 5, 2022, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Duksa Family Funeral Homes at Newington Memorial, 20 Bonair Ave., Newington. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, May 6, 2022, at 10:00 am at the Church of the Holy Spirit, 183 Church St., Newington. (Please gather directly at Church St., Newington. (Please gather directly at church.) He will be laid to rest in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. To express your sorrow, please visit us at www.duksa.net.



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# Carnegie, Richard



Richard \$Richie Rich\$ Carnegie, 59, of East Hartford, departed this life peace fully on April 17, 2022, with his family by his side. Richie is the son of the late Richard and Josephine Carnegie. He is survived by his children Jovan Levy of New York, Shante A. Carnegie of Florida, Mattie Lasha Greaves, Richard Carnegie III and Leslie

Gardner Sr. of Connecticut; One sister Renee Burke and his Partner Sheree King of Connecticut, several grand-children, nieces and nephews and good friends. Join the family for Richie's Memorial on May 6, 2022 at 12:00 pm at All Faith Memorial Chapel, 90 John Fitch Blvd, South Windsor, CT 06074.

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# Hayward, Linda Joyce

Calling hours at the funeral home will be held on May 21, 2022 at 10AM, followed by a Celebration of Life at 10:45AM. Updated service information for Linda is online at www.OBrien-FuneralHome.com

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# Partyka, Elizabeth G.



Elizabeth G. Partyka, daughter of Elizabeth and George Suprenant, was born in New Britain, CT on February 28, 1920. Her son-in-law believes that Elizabeth was actually born on February 29, 1920 making her a leap year baby and her true age is actually only 25 ½ years, but in real time she was 102 years old. Elizabeth was predeceased

by her husband Joseph, her son Michael Joseph, her grandson Travis Michael, her sisters Dorothy, Gertrude, Irene, her brother George, her niece Diane and her grand-niece Shannon. She leaves behind her daughter Kathy Kretz and her husband Richard Kretz, her grandson Timothy Kretz and spouse Erin Kretz, granddaughter Emily Trantolo and spouse Keith Trantolo, granddaughter Courtney Baker and spouse Kevin Baker, 5 great grandchildren Grady, Payton, Claire, Aidan, and Nellie and many nieces and nephews.

She also leaves her dear friends at 21 Dowd Avenue in Canton where she happily lived for almost 20 years before moving to Cherry Brook Health Center in Canton, CT. The family wishes to thank the wonderful nursing staff at Cherry Brook and especially Nicole for the wonderful loving care they provided to Elizabeth. She was an amazing grandmother who spent her retirement devoted to her grandchildren who always knew her as Gammy.

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Services will be private at the request of the family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you consider making a donation to the charity of your own choosing. Arrangements are being handled by The Ahern Funeral Homes, Inc., www.ahernfuneralhome.com.

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hare memories, express condolences, and celebrate life in the obituary section on courant.com.



### Thomas , Edward (Ted) B



On April 29th, Ted passed away peacefully in Ponte Vedra, FL. His wife Joan, the love of his life for almost 67 years, was by his side. Before moving to FL in 2015, Ted lived in W. Hartford for 50 years. In 1952 graduated from Trinity College, where he founded the lacrosse team. Following graduation, Ted enlisted in the USMC,

leaving as a Captain. He spent his career in copper alloy manufacturing. Ted was a member of Asylum Hill Church, Old Guard, and loved playing tennis and socializing at the Hartford Golf Club and Hartford Tennis Club. In his retirement, he added spinning and croquet to his active life.

In addition to Joan, son Chip and daughter Carolyn, their respective spouses, Laura Hasti and Brook Spaulding, three beautiful granddaughters, Kyra and Olivia Spaulding, and Alaina Hasti Thomas remember him with love and laughter. Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity College, 300 Summit Street, Hartford, CT 06106

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### Pease, John B

John Barry "Jack" Pease, 72, of Broad Brook, died Saturday, April 30, 2022, at Parkway Pavilion Health and Rehabilitation Center, after a long illness. Jack is survived by his mother, Thelma Barry Pease of Broad Brook; his sister, Dr. Susan E. Pease of Hartford: a nephew, John Pease Love and his wife Carla of Hartford; and a grand niece, Sofía Love. Jack was predeceased by his father, John E. Pease. The family wishes to thank the nurses and staff at Parkway Pavilion Health and Rehabilitation Center for their patience and kindness to Jack. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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### Ferrigno, John Benventura



Benventura Ferrigno passed away peacefully in the early morning of April 30, 2022 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born in New Haven, Connecticut on January 8, 1954, the youngest child of John Francis Ferrigno and Angelina Manna Ferrigno. John is survived by his wife of 38 years,

vived by his wife of 38 years, Julie Ciotto Ferrigno and their two children Jonathan Blase Ferrigno and Jessica Jeanne Ferrigno as well as his two sisters Grace Kristoff, Judy Ferrigno and their children Lauren Kristoff, Angela (Andrew) DeRose Learner, Elizabeth (David) DeRose Fischer, and Sarah (Todd) DeRose Sample. He is predeceased by his parents, his two brothers-in-law, John Kristoff and Peter DeRose and sister in-law. Mary Luno Ciotto as well as his father-insister in-law, John Kriston and Peter Derose and sister in-law, Mary Lupo Ciotto as well as his father-in-law and mother-in-law Biagio and Jeanne Ciotto of Wethersfield. John also leaves his in-laws Joseph Ciotto, Anthony Ciotto, John and Sherri Ciotto and Maria and Ken Larose along with his niece and nephews Gabby and Danny Ciotto and Jack Larose. He also leaves several aunts and cousins in the New Haven

John was a proud graduate of Clark University and held several positions in marketing and sales during a successful 25-year career with Unisys Corporation. He moved onto Hewlett Packard and IBM before retiring. John enjoyed working outside, reading a good book especially historical biographies and watching the Yankees play, win or lose. He was well versed in current events and always enjoyed a spirited debate with family members and friends.

Calling hours will be held on Friday, May 6, 2022 from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM at the Vincent Funeral Home, 880 Annmeadow Street in Simshury CT Burial will be held at 11:00 at St. Catherine of Siena, 265 Stratton Brook Road in West Simsbury, CT followed by a burial at Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, 1 Cottage Grove Road in Bloomfield, CT. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or The Connecticut Humane Society, 701 Russell Road, Newington, CT 06111. Please visit John's Book of Memories at www. vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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# Case Ross, Carol Wallace

Carol Wallace Case Ross of Tampa, FL died Tuesday, April 19, at the age of 83, with her daughter, Nancy Case Floto, by her side. Carol, who will long be re-membered for her infectious laugh, was a beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. She was born in Hartford, Connecticut, and grew up in Windsor Locks, Connecticut, the daughter of Charles "Pete" Wallace and Rose McGourn Wallace. She graduated from Mount Saint Joseph Academy.
After her wedding to Richard Case, the couple relocated to Maine, and gave birth to two daughters. Cathy and Nancy. The family returned to Granby, Connecticut, and later relocated to Florida, where she remained for more than 60 years. There, she lived in Clearwater and then Tampa. For several years years, she has been a resident of The Canterbury, where she enjoyed the company of many friends. She attended First Presbyterian Church of Tampa.

Carol was predeceased by her sister, Mildred Wallace Hopkins, her brother and lifelong friend, Charles "Charlie" Wallace, and her daughter, Cathy Case. She was also predeceased by her husband and love-ofher-life, Norm Ross. She is survived by her cherished daughter, Nancy Case Floto of Tampa, her son-in-law, Ron, and Ron's children, spouses and grandchildren, a loving, boisterous tribe that brought Carol much joy. She is also survived by her grandson, Richard Flotó, granddaughter Nancy Pencheff and great-granddaughter, Kileigh Floto, as well as her niece and goddaughter, Kim Hennig and nephew, Craig Hopkins. Additionally, she leaves Lynne Ross Dougherty and husband Michael Wendy Ross, Scott Ross, Craig Ross and wife Linda, children ,Craig, CJ and Emma, Carol's adopted and deeply loved family.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, May 10 at 11:00 a.m. at Sylvan Abbey Memorial Park and Funeral Home, 2853 Sunset Point Road, Clearwater, FL 33759. Memorial donations may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Tampa, 3302 West Horatio Street, Tampa, FL

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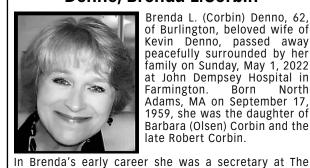
# Lundberg, Jeffrey K.

Jeffrey K. Lundberg, 67, of East Otis, MA, formally of West Hartford, CT, died Wednesday, April 20, 2022. Calling hours will be Monday, May 9, 2022 at Sheehan Hilborn Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Avenue, West Hartford from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. To read the full obituary and leave online condolences, please visit www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com

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# Denno, Brenda L.Corbin



Brenda L. (Corbin) Denno, 62, of Burlington, beloved wife of Kevin Denno, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Sunday, May 1, 2022 at John Dempsey Hospital in Farmington. Born Adams, MA on September 17, 1959, she was the daughter of Barbara (Olsen) Corbin and the late Robert Corbin.

Hartford. She was a professional cake decorator at one point. She also completed a phlebotomy course. Mostly she was a homemaker. Brenda was very artistic. She loved music and could play by ear. She loved to paint. She loved classic movies. She also had a love for animals, especially boxers. Most of all, Brenda loved her family. Her husband, children and grandson were her world. She will be missed dearly.

Besides her loving husband Kevin, she is survived by her children, Kirsten Abell, Christopher Abell and his husband Eugene Depasquale and Matthew Denno; her mother Barbara (Olsen) Corbin; her sisters Bonnie Devine and her husband Kevin and Beverly Corbin and her husband Ernest Jr.; her grandson Jared Cohen; and many loving friends and family members. She was predeceased by her son, Joseph Denno. Thank you to all of the aids and nurses who helped Brenda transition through hospice at John Dempsey Hospital. Services for Brenda will be held privately at the convenience of the family. For online condolences please visit www. leetestevens.com

> leete-Stevens Family Funeral Homes & Crematory

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### Daer, Nancy Sherman



Nancy Sherman Daer, 85, of Wethersfield, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 1st, 2022, at Hartford Hospital. She was the widow of the late Russell Daer.

Born in Bristol, Vermont on November 15, 1936, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Martha (Kandzior) Sherman. She was a secretary at Pratt and Whitney for many years and after raising her three children, she worked

in the Housing Department for the State of Connecticut. She grew up on a farm; she loved to plant and watch new life grow. After she retired, she helped with the three-year-old class in her church and led her bowling league in scoring. She was also an avid bridge player, a foodie long before it became fashionable, and loved Nancy is survived by a son, Gary Daer, and his wife, Lisa,

who reside in Broomfield, Colorado; a daughter, Sheryl Murphy, of Hockessin, Delaware; a brother, Richard Sherman, of Bristol, Vermont; and two grandchildren, Ben Murphy of Delaware and Greg Daer and his wife, Landry, of Wyoming. She was predeceased by a son, Brian Daer; two brothers, Arthur and Arnold Sherman; and a sister, Trudy Parkhill.

A funeral service will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday (May 6th) at Wethersfield United Methodist Church, 150 Prospect St., Wethersfield. Everyone is asked to please meet directly at the church. A private burial will take place in Village Cemetery, Wethersfield. To leave a message for the family, please visit www.

desopofuneralchapel.com.



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# Styers, Pamela

Mrs. Pamela Styers, 58, passed away in her home in Clarks HIII, South Carolina on April 12, 2022, after a valiant battle with cancer. Pam was born on November 12, 1963 to Robert & Jan DeBlois in Waterville, Maine. Pam spent most of her life living in Connecticut where she met the man she would spend the rest of her life with. She married Christopher Styers on September 9, 1996. Pam and Chris purchased a home in Litchfield, Ct, where they had their two children.

The second battle with breast cancer would be her last, with Pam putting up a heroic effort against a very aggressive return of the cancerous growths she had before beaten. She continued to be a wellspring of positivity even in her last days, refusing to give in to the disease, even while she prepared her family for the end. Pamela passed away in her home in the arms of her husband, entering into rest quickly and painlessly. She is survived by her husband Chris, as well as her two sons, Christopher and Carson. She also leaves behind her father Robert DeBlois Sr. and his wife Sandra ,her brother Robert and his fiance Diana , as well as step-siblings, nieces, nephews and cousins. She joins in heaven her mother, Jan, nephew Jimmy and her grandparents.

As a final note, if you plan to attend Pam's service, please wear something purple in celebration of her life. The service will be held at Our Lady of Mercy church on Saturday, May 7th, 2022 at 10 am.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American **Cancer Society** 

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# **Edstrom**, Ramona

Ramona Edstrom, 77, of East Hampton, died Monday March 14, 2022 at Cobalt Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. She was born in Middletown, the daughter of the late Edward and Blanche (O'Bara) Edstrom. She is survived by her sister, June Ahearn of Iowa; her brother, Edward Edstrom of East Hampton. She was predeceased by her sisters, Amy Edstrom, Nancy Edstrom and Anita Edstrom. Her Funeral Liturgy will be held Thursday (May 5th) at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick Church, East Hampton. Burial will be in St. Patrick Cemetery, East Hampton. There are no calling hours. Those who wish may send memorial contributions to American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. To share memories or express condolences online please visit www.biegafuneralhome.com.

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### **OBITUARIES**

### Aiudi, Jr., Clayton Thomas



Clayton Thomas Aiudi Jr 'Butch" was born to Esther Toscano Aiudi and Clayton Thomas Aiudi Sr "Tommy" in Bristol, CT, on October 10, 1941, as an only child. He enjoyed fishing at the lake with his father, and his mom's home-cooked Italian meals (which she continued to prepare for him daily (just in case) well into his 40s and

50s. His mom was quick to tell you that her son did not

Butch graduated from Bristol High School, where he met many lifetime friends with whom he thoroughly enjoyed causing just a bit of mischief. He excelled in baseball and continued to play into adulthood. He also

participated in choir and enjoyed roller skating.
At 14, he began working, first for the Bristol Press and then for his grandfather's construction company, A. Aiudi and Sons Ready Mix Concrete where he worked for over 40 years, followed by F&F Concrete until retirement. He was very proud of his work and believed strongly in a solid work ethic.

In his free time, he enjoyed running and swimming. It was through this venture that he met his future wife, Lisa Marie Sheehan, who became his running partner, accompanying him to the finish line first on the track, and then along the path of a life well-lived. They enjoyed 33 years together, along with their daughter, Marie Aiudi Pattipati, their many dogs, cats, and chickens, most of which were brought home by their daughter. Butch could never refuse an animal in need once he looked into their eyes.

In 2007, their first grandson, Dakota Thomas Aiudi was born, and Butch was thrilled to teach him baseball as soon as he was able to hold a ball. He was very close with Dakota teaching him about household repairs, trucks, and tractors. Two years later he welcomed his second grandson, Clayton Thane Aiudi, then Ayana Lakshmi Pattipati, and finally Isha Alani Pattipati. Butch was very close to his family and loved having his grand-children around. He would often quietly observe them and then explain to everyone about all of their unique. and then explain to everyone about all of their unique qualities and what was best about each of them.

Butch passed peacefully in his sleep at the age of 80 on April 29 at 9:32 am, surrounded by his wife, daughter, son-in-law, and four grandchildren to the sound of his grandchildren giggling and watching funny dog videos. He was predeceased by his parents, and most of his aunts and uncles with whom he was very close. He is survived by his wife Lisa, daughter Marie, son-in-law Bharath, grandchildren Dakota, Thane, Ayana, and Isha, his beloved German Shepherd Jigs, and his cat, Evie. He also leaves behind his Uncle Eddie Toscano, Uncle Sam Lawson, Uncle Elmo Aiudi, Aunt Lorraine Clark, his closest friend Julia Ryan and her two sons Mark and Wade Ryan, his in-laws Timothy and Mary Jane Sheehan, and many cousins, friends, and family. He will be especially missed by his wife's five sisters (Laura Sheehan, Jill Fitzsimmons, Patricia Johnson, Jeanne Sheehan, and Madeline Sheehan) and their families.

Friends and family may call at The Ahern Funeral Home, 111 Main Street, Rt. 4, Unionville, on Friday (May 6th) from 4:00 – 7:00 pm. The Funeral Liturgy will be celebrated Saturday (May 7th) at 10:00 am in The Church of St. Mary Star of the Sea, 145 Main Street, Unionville. All are kindly asked to meet directly at the church. Flowers may be sent to Ahern Funeral Home or a tribute gift may be sent to the National Park Foundation in his name. To send online condolences to the family, please visit www.ahernfuneralhome.com

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Richard Henry Griffin Sr., of Avon, passed away peacefully on May 1st, 2022, surrounded by Family at the age of 85. Richard (Dick, Red, Griff) was born in "Griffinville", Farmington to Myrtle Griffin (Tallmadge) and Henry Griffin. He graduated from Canton High School in 1955. Soon after, he received his teaching degree from Connecticut Teachers College



and masters from the University of Hartford. Dick taught Industrial Arts for over 35 years at Lewis Mills High School in Burlington. He was a master craftsman and his love for woodshop was passed along to many students through-

out the years and he touched their lives in many ways. At age 7, he survived the Hartford Circus fire and that influenced his decision to become a firefighter. Dick was a founding member of the West Avon Volunteer Fire Department and instrumental in leading the merger with the Avon Volunteer Fire Department. He served in a number of leadership positions including, Captain and Deputy Chief and later as Director and President for a number of years. Dick was a true professional and looked upon as a leader and mentor to many in the department for over 37 years. His passion for firefighting inspired other friends and family members to serve.

Dick's love of sports began early on and continued throughout his life. He was an accomplished athlete in high school and captain of the football team. He was an avid golfer and a loyal Red Sox fan. Dick was always involved with his kids and grandkids sports and never missed an opportunity to watch them play. In addition to sports, he had a love for the outdoors. He was a member of the Connecticut Rose Society and cherished his roses along with his vegetable garden, tending to

them daily.

He is survived by his loving wife Elinor (Firnhaber) of 60 years and their children; Pamela Redman and her husband Jeff of West Hartford, and Richard Griffin Jr. and his wife Sue of Avon. He has 5 grandchildren that he adored and that will deeply miss him. Ashley Barrick and her husband John, Kelsey Conrad, Matthew Griffin, Kaylan Conrad and Stephen Griffin. He is predecesed by his cousin Ray Griffin. Whom he considered

Griffin, Kaylan Conrad and Stephen Griffin. He is predeceased by his cousin Ray Griffin, whom he considered a brother. In addition, he leaves behind his extended family, including an aunt, numerous cousins, brother and sister in laws, and nieces and nephews. Dick will be truly missed, but his huge heart and kindness touched so many and he will never be forgotten. The family would like to thank the staff at Amberwoods of Farmington for their kindness and passionate care in his final days. His family will receive friends Friday, May 6th from 4-6 PM at the Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center, 301 Country Club Road, Avon. A Celebration of His Life will be held Saturday, May 7, 2022 at the West Avon Congregational Church, 280 Country Club Road, Avon at 10 am. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, Avon at 10 am. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation in support of his grandson Matt. https://netrf.org/ .For directions or condolences please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.



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### Zito, Rose



Rose Mary (Colavecchio) Zito, of Hartford, beloved wife of the late Joseph A. Zito, passed away peacefully on Sunday May 1, 2022 at age 102 at LiveWell, formerly known as the Alzheimer's Resource Center, Plantsville.

Born on March 29, 1920, in Hartford, she was the daughter of the late Nicola and

Carmella (Flamio) Colavecchio. She lived for 61 years in Hartford, in the home her loving husband built for her and their daughter in 1956. She was a long time faithful communicant of St. Lawrence O'Toole Church in Hartford.

After graduating from East Hartford High School, in 1938 she became the private secretary for the Caulkin's Real Estate Agency of Hartford. She then worked as the head cashier at a small neighborhood grocery store, The Hollywood Market, in Elmwood. In 1969, she was hired as the head cashier at the financial office of Trinity College where she received and balanced all transactions of the college.

Rose loved her UConn Husky basketball teams, whom she fondly referred to as her boys and girls, and she especially loved her granddaughter's sweet cocker spaniel, Bennett. She was an excellent cook and baker and was known throughout the family for her chocolate Italian christmas cookies. Her knitting capabilities were of professional standards and she always had a knack for fashion.

A loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Rose's loyal, unwavering love for her family was appar-ent in every aspect of her life. She will be dearly missed by her daughter, Janet Krom and her husband Bob, of Cheshire; her adored twin granddaughters, who named her Mimi, Alissa Krom Wetherell and husband Michael Jr., of Broad Brook, and Jennifer Krom, of Hartford; her two great grandchildren, Mikaela Wetherell and Michael Wetherell III, who were her most treasured loves, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by her three brothers, Jean, Vincent, and John Colavecchio, as well as all of her cousins and her sisters-in-law, with whom she was very close.

Rose's family would like to thank her wonderful home caregivers, Joan Hajjar, Jessica Wilhite, and Darlene Aresco. Also, a special thanks goes to the Live Well Community 2A staff for their care, compassion, and genuine love for their little "Rosie." They loved and cared for her as if she were their own grandmother. Calling hours will be Saturday, May 7th from 10-11:30 at DellaVecchia Funeral Home, 211 N. Main

St., Southington. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow directly at St. Dominic Church, 1050 Flanders Rd, Southington at noon. Burial will take place in a private ceremony at Mount Saint Benedict Cemetery, in Bloomfield. For online condolences and directions please visit, www.dellavecchiasouthington.com

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to LiveWell, 1261 S. Main St Plantsville, CT 06479 https://livewell.org/donate/, checks can be made payable to "LiveWell" or to the Saint Francis Foundation, NICU, 95 Woodland Street, 2nd Floor, Hartford, CT https://giving.saintfrancisdonor.com/donate, select NICU as your designation.

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### Tompkins, Bernice M



Mother of 3 passed away March 21,22. Daughter of the late John and Mary Daniels. She is survived by her 3 children Jessica Burnett, Kyle Michaud and Diana Todd. Her two sister Melody Solano and Tracy Daniels. Also her brother John Daniels. Bernice also had 5 grandchild Jayce and Isayiah Hardnett,Elana Michaud and Layton and LeAndre Leggett all from



Manchester. Services will be held Saturday 5/7/2022 At Abbey Funeral Home 511 Brook St

Rocky Hill CT.

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# White, Malcolm K



Malcolm K. White, 98, of Ashford, Connecticut died peacefully on April 23. He was predeceased by his wife Lillie (Winans) White.

'Mac" was born in East Aurora, New York, on January 11,1924, the son of the late Grover and Evelyn White. He grew up in East Aurora, where he was the valedictorian of his high school class,

and a clarinet player and runner. Attending Worcester Polytechnic Institute, he earned an MS in Chemical Engineering and ran track. During that time he met and married Lillie, and served in the Naval Air Corps during World War II.

Married for 67 years, Mac and "Swish" first raised a family in Wayland, then Wenham, Massachusetts In 1974, they moved into an antique cape in Ashford, Connecticut, atop a hundred acres. A talented chemical engineer, Mac was employed by Arthur D Little in Boston, and later at United Shoe Machinery Corporation in Beverly. In Connecticut, he designed and operated a pollution control plant at Pervel Industries in Plainfield until retirement.

Active in his community, Mac served on the Wenham and Ashford Planning and Zoning Boards. He was a member of Christ Church in Hamilton, Massachusetts and Christ Church, Pomfret, where he sang in choirs with Lillie. On the North Shore, he starred in small venue plays such as 'Bell Book and Candle,' and was a featured singer in 'Noye's Fludde' and 'The Nativity According to Saint Luke,' at Christ Church. Mac had a keen respect for the natural environment. He was a member of Tree Growers, Incorporated, and worked with the Nature Conservancy to preserve 70 acres of family property. He enjoyed nothing more than a quiet walk in his woods or a swim or canoe trip with family and friends.

Mac was a tinkerer, woodworker and mechanic. He rebuilt every house he lived in, doing all carpentry, plumbing and electrical work. An avid tennis player, he built a stone dust court in Wenham, by himself. His insatiable curiosity kept him reading actively all his life. He will be remembered for his incredible mind, singular wit, commanding presence, and most of all his

love for family.

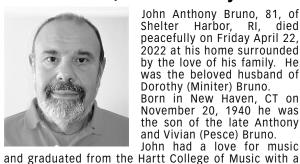
Mac is survived by daughter Randall D White, son Douglas White and wife Marti, son Gerrit White and wife Susan, and daughter Jesse White. He is also survived by grandchildren Alexander, Benjamin, Marguerite, Nicholas, and Celia White, great-granddaughters Evelyn and Olivia, and his companion Sylvia.

A private celebration of his life will be held at his

Ashford home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to: The Nature Conservancy, Special Olympics, or the ASPCA.

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### Bruno, John Anthony



UConn women's sports

John Anthony Bruno, 81, of Shelter Harbor, RI, died peacefully on Friday April 22 2022 at his home surrounded by the love of his family. He was the beloved husband of Dorothy (Miniter) Bruno.

Born in New Haven, CT on November 20, 1940 he was the son of the late Anthony and Vivian (Pesce) Bruno. John had a love for music

degree in Music Education in 1962. He later received his M.A. from the University of Hartford in 1968 and The Administration degree from UConn. In 1962 he began his teaching career in the rural communities of Connecticut he went on to develop the instrumental music program in East Granby, CT a

position he held for 39 years. Upon his retirement he took a part-time elementary music position for 2 years in Groton, CT and stayed for nine. He had a love for the ocean and passed that on to his sons. He also took an active role in his children's sports as a Little League Coach, and hockey scheduler as well as being a lifetime lover of the New York Yankees and

Upon moving to Rhode Island John joined the Westerly Town Band as Trombonist and assistant Conductor and he was also the Shelter Harbor Harbormaster for many

Besides his loving and devoted wife of 60 years, he will be sadly missed by his children, Peter J. Bruno, Michael J. Bruno and Mikhayla A. Bruno.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday May 7, 2022 at 10:00 AM at St. Pius X. Church, 44 Elm St. Westerly, RI.

Calling hours are respectfully omitted.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in John's name to The Shelter Harbor Conservation Society (SHCS), B, Leadbetter Treasurer, 16 Handel Rd., Westerly, RI 02891 or Westerly Band, PO Box 614, Westerly, RI 02891

For online condolences, please visit www.buckleriohnston.com

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### Foberg, Donald H.



Donald H. Foberg, 87, of Glastonbury, husband of the late Dale (Shuttleworth) Foberg, passed away Thursday at Arden Courts in Farmington A New Britain native and former resident, he was son of the late Arvid and Florence Foberg and moved to Glastonbury in 1962. A graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1953, and the

University of CT in 1957, Don served as a Captain in the US Army Reserves for 8 years. Don retired as a Vice President of the former Savings Bank of New Britain and American Savings Bank, retiring after 38 years of service in 1996. Don was a long time member of First Lutheran Church in New Britain,
After retirement Don served as a Commissioner of

the Glastonbury Housing Authority and volunteered his time on election days at the polls. He worked to reopen Old Newgate Prison and volunteered there after the opening because of our family connection to this historic building. He enjoyed times at the family's cottage on Congamond Lake, UCONN football, the men and women's basketball teams and playing golf. He and Dale enjoyed going to many Final Four Tournaments, a few trips to Bermuda and many trips to Cape Cod with family.

Surviving is his daughter, Deborah Peterson and her husband John of Glastonbury; two grandchildren, Kristina Lemke and her husband PJ of Manchester and Benjamin Peterson and his girlfriend Emilee Wilson of Dedham, MA. Besides his wife Dale, Don was predeceased by his parents Arvid and Florence Foberg, a brother David Foberg and a sister, Dorothy Foberg Griffin as well as his nephew and godson, Peter Griffin.

A Memorial Service will be held May 14, 2022 10:00 am at First Lutheran Church, 77 Franklin Square, New Britain, CT 06051. Burial will be in Green Cemetery, Glastonbury for immediate family. There are no calling hours. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the First Lutheran Church Memorial Fund. Carlson Funeral Home, New Britain is assisting with arrangements. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www. carlsonfuneralhome.com



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# Torres, Margarita (Colon)



Margarita Torres (Colon), 81 of Hartford, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 1, 2022 at Hartford Hospital surrounded by her family. She was the beloved wife of David

Born in Añasco, Puerto Rico on June 9, 1940, she was the daughter of the late Bernabé Colon and Felicita Mendez. At a young age, Margarita worked at a factory in Puerto Rico as a self taught

seamstress. She was very proud of her work and was praised for being the best. In 1969, Margarita migrated with her children to the United States where she prioritized their education, continued her work as a seamstress, and met her future husband, David Torres of Hartford. Margarita was a christian and maintained her faith in God. She is most known for her strength,

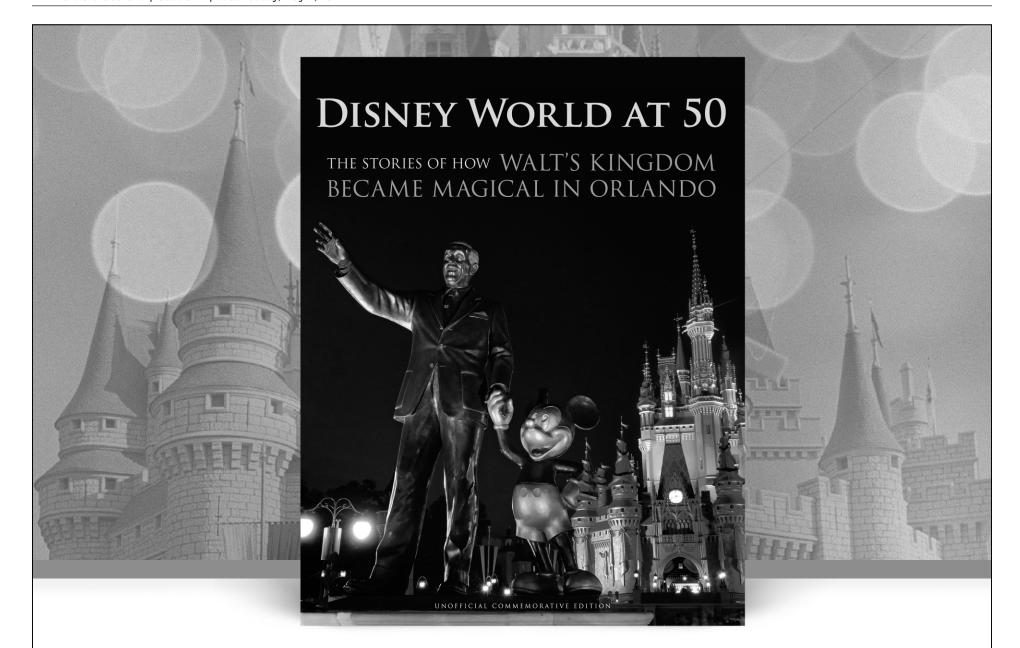
resilience, devotion to family, and sense of humor. In her later years, Margarita especially loved spending time with her grandchildren, laughing and making memories. Unfortunately, as her health declined, she developed dementia. This is what led her to return to the Lord in the kingdom of heaven. We are sad to see her go but she is finally at peace. We thank the PCAs from Juniper Home Care for their love and support during her final months.

Along with her husband of 52 years, she is survived by her brother Pablo Colon of Puerto Rico, her son Jose and wife Sonia Echevarria of Florida, her daughter Julie Echevarria of East Hartford, her son Bobby and wife Carmen Echevarria of Norwich, her daughter Nellie Travaglini of Hartford, her daughter Millie Colon of East Windsor, her daughter Evelyn and husband Ted Cruz of East Hartford, and her daughter Daisy Torres of Hartford. She also leaves behind her grandchildren, Joey, Noemi, Melissa, Bobby, David, Yanira, Yesenia, Steven, Rianna, Desarae, Deon, Tally, Anthony, and 8 great-grandchildren. Margarita was preceded in death by her daughter Viginia, whom she never forget, her by her daughter Virginia, whom she never forgot, her

three siblings Fernando, Carpio, and Julia, and her beloved son in law, Robert Travaglini.

The family will receive relatives and friends from 4:00 to 6:30 pm on Friday, May 6th at the D'Esopo Funeral Chapel, 277 Folly Brook Blvd., Wethersfield. A Prayer service will begin at 6:30 pm on Friday evening at the conclusion of calling hours. In light of increasing CoVid 19 cases, all attendees are kindly asked to wear CoVid 19 cases, all attendees are kindly asked to wear a mask. Margarita also requested that guests wear black and white in her honor. Family and friends are invited to gather at 10:00 am on Saturday, May 7th at the D'Esopo Funeral Chapel to proceed to Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield for an 11:00 am grave-

side service. Please sign guestbook at courant.com/obituaries

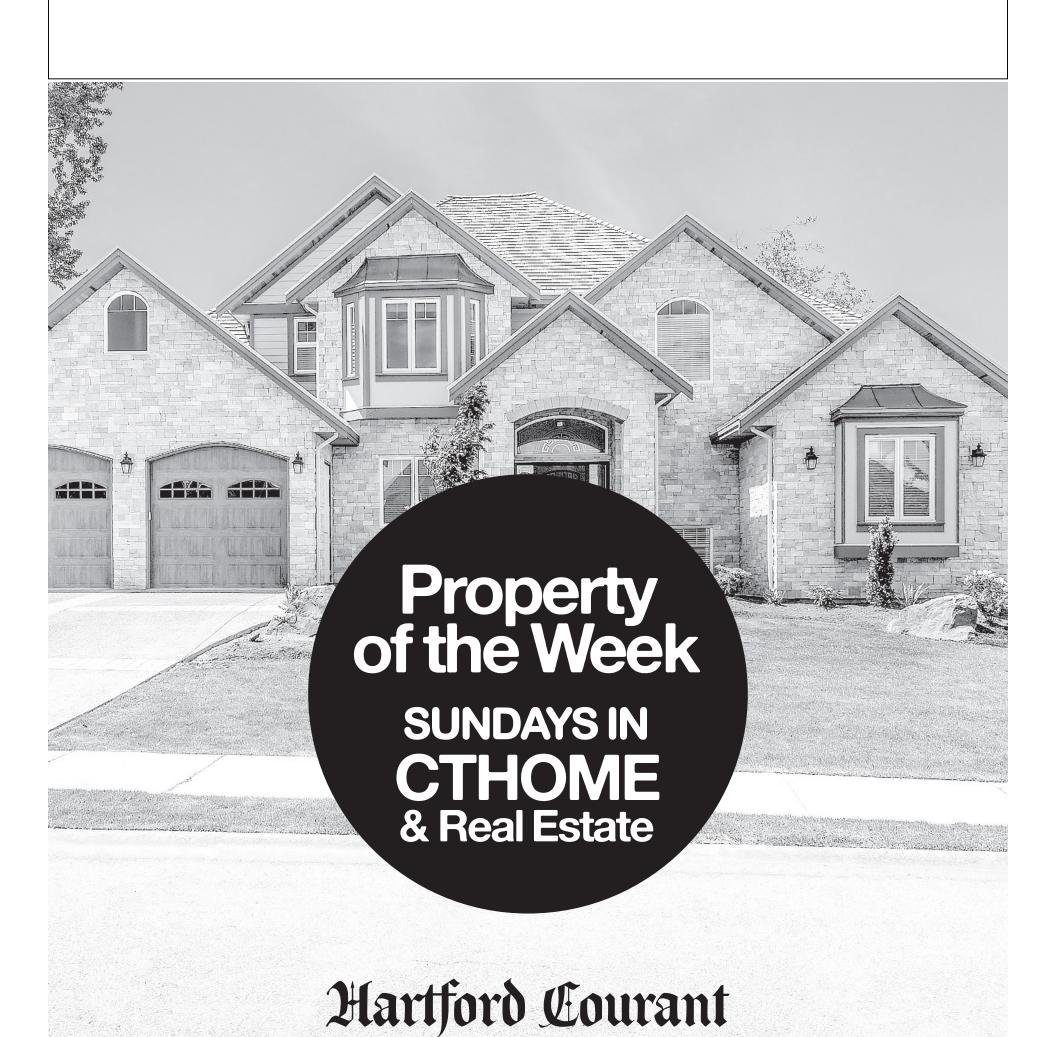


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# Seasonal allergies hit state hard

Study finds Hartford, New Haven fall in top 10 worst cities, and Bridgeport just misses the list

By Ted Glanzer
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — When it comes to a problem with seasonal allergies, it turns out Hartford has it too.

According to a study by the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America, Hartford is the seventh most-challenging place to live with seasonal allergies. The only municipalities deemed worse, according to the study, are Scranton, Pennsylvania; Wichita, Kansas; McAllen,

Texas; Richmond, Virginia; San Antonio; and Oklahoma City.

New Haven was ranked ninth in the study, which took into account each municipality's spring and fall pollen counts and the number of board-certified allergists and immunologists. The other cities in the top 10 were Buffalo, New York, at No. 8; and Albany, New York, at No. 10. Bridgeport just missed the top 10 at No. 11.

Pam Angellilo, a registered nurse who specializes in allergies at

UConn Health, said she has anecdotally seen an increase in the number of patients her unit treats year over year.

"This time of year is always worse, but every year I feel like it gets a little worse for patients," she said. "We've been extremely busy with patients coming in with asthma exacerbation. It's actually very common."

The spring-allergy season, which primarily is the result of tree pollen as well as some grasses, started in early March, Angellilo said

"My patient schedule has been pretty full since March," she said, "and I feel like it's a little bit more busy than normal this year."

That Hartford and New Haven are on the AAFA's list isn't too surprising, Angellilo said, because of the high number of trees and other flora in Connecticut.

Furthermore, once the tree-pollen season abates, another trigger takes its place.

"You get all the tree pollen at least until June and then we go right into the heavier grass [season] — which is the higher culprit — come June, July, August," she said. "Then in mid-August, that's when you get hay-fever season, which is ragweed basically. Ragweed comes

out late summer to fall, and it will stay with us until we get a couple of good frosts in the winter."

The reason for longer and perhaps more intense allergy seasons, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is climate change.

"Climate change will potentially lead to both higher pollen concentrations and longer pollen seasons, causing more people to suffer more health effects from pollen and other allergens," the CDC's website says.

Millions of people are affected

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# Prison for real estate swindler

Greenwich developer used investors' cash to fund 'lavish lifestyle'

By Edmund H. Mahony Hartford Courant

A Greenwich real estate developer whose business went bust in a market downturn and who was accused later of swindling \$1.5 million from friends and associates, was sentenced in federal court Tuesday to three years in prison.

Samuel Klein, 66, lived in a multi-million dollar mansion in the Greenwich back country and collected sums ranging from tens to hundreds of thousands of dollars from friends and associates on promises that he could make substantial and in some cases guaranteed profit on real estate deals.

Instead of investing the money as he promised, federal prosecutors said Klein spent much of it on his family and himself. Among other things, prosecutors produced records in court showing that Klein spent \$194,000 on five brief, dayslong getaways to the Amangani Resort in Jackson, Wyoming, and another \$60,000 on chartered air travel.

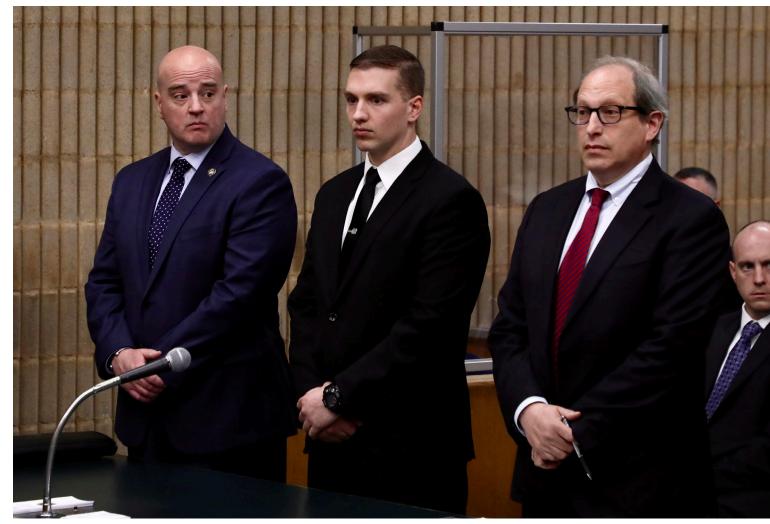
Klein previously pleaded guilty to one count of interstate transportation of property taken by fraud and one count of money laundering.

Federal prosecutors said Klein stole to subsidize a lifestyle he could not longer afford.

"Klein prioritized his own lavish lifestyle which included accommodations at an exclusive resort and staggering credit card expenditures," prosecutors said in a court filing. "He spent far beyond his means, and funded some of his extravagance with victim investors' funds, which he plowed through at an aggressive clip."

Klein's attorneys said that at an earlier point in his life, he "thrived

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State Trooper Brian North appears in Milford Superior Court on Tuesday on manslaughter charges. **SEAN FOWLER PHOTOS/HARTFORD COURANT** 

# State trooper arraigned in death of Soulemane



Omo Klusum Mohammed calls for justice Tuesday before the arraignment of North, who shot and killed Omo's son, Mubarak Soulemane, following a high-speed chase in West Haven in 2020.

# Fellow police officers rally in support as family of slain driver calls for justice

By Jesse Leavenworth
Hartford Courant

A Connecticut state trooper who fatally shot a man in 2020 after a high-speed chase of a stolen car was arraigned in Milford Superior Court on Tuesday.

Fellow law enforcement officers gathered at the courthouse to show support for Trooper Brian North, which the family of the slain driver, Mubarak Soulemane, called a failed intimidation tactic.

Dressed in a black suit, North appeared briefly and his case was continued to June 2 and transferred to the part of court that handles more serious cases. North did not speak or enter a plea. As he left the courthouse holding hands with a young woman, family and supporters of Soulemane chanted, "Justice for Mubarak!" over and

Neither North nor his attorney, Jeffrey Ment, would comment after the court appearance.

Charged with first-degree manslaughter with a firearm, North faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a mandatory

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# Health care costs taking a toll

As premiums rise, small businesses, nonprofits weighing solvency against employee benefits

By Erica E. Phillips CT Mirror

Around this time each year, the all-volunteer personnel committee at Unitarian Universalist Society: East in Manchester sits down with a broker to select an employee health insurance plan for the coming fiscal year.

Only three of the church's six employees are on the plan, yet it costs about 10% of the nonprofit's annual \$500,000 budget. And each year, their carriers' rates have gone up — often by double-digit percentages.

"There was just no possible way the church could absorb that kind of increase in a premium," committee chair Vivian Carlson said, recalling a recent year when UUS:E's carrier was poised to raise rates by 25%. Reluctantly, the church has switched carriers and upped the deductible several times over the last few years,

enabling it to stay within budgetary constraints but creating confusion and higher costs for staff members.

Many small businesses and nonprofits in Connecticut face a similar conundrum, weighing the solvency of their business against how generous they'd like to be with employee health benefits.

employee health benefits.

"We hear from employers every day that providing health care for their employees is either the No. 1 or No. 2 expenditure they have, and if that continues at this rate, they won't be able to locate here and provide good quality insurance and attract employees," said Vicki Veltri, director of the state's Office

of Health Strategy.

As health care benefits gobble up larger shares of their budgets, small businesses and nonprofits are forced to make tradeoffs. UUS:E delayed hiring a part-time membership coordinator, a position the Rev. Joshua Pawelek says would help the church's congrega-

tion boost its funding base. Instead, the church has to put those dollars toward insurance premiums.

"We don't have a big endowment. We get our money from the members of the church," Pawelek said. "They're very generous, but if we have to add another six grand every year for health insurance, that makes it difficult to do other things," he said.

Why so expensive? Health insurance premiums are going up largely because health care costs are rising. Over the past two decades, the cost of hospital and medical care has risen faster than inflation.

"The carriers are continually seeking to bring innovative, more affordable products to market that include a focus on value-based care in recognition that affordability is critical," Susan Halpin, executive director for the Connecticut Association of Health Plans, said in emailed comments. "To better achieve that goal, focus needs to be directed at how to best reduce the

**Turn to Health,** Page 2

# Unions get a win with 'captive audience' ban

CBIA leader calls bill expanding state protections of workers' free-speech rights 'unconstitutional'

By Mark Pazniokas CT Mirror

One of organized labor's two legislative priorities in 2022 — a ban on "captive audience" meetings that unions say are used to thwart organizing — won final passage in the Connecticut House

of Representatives.

The second, a fair-scheduling bill, is destined to die without a vote in the House before the session reaches its constitutional adjournment deadline of midnight Wednesday.

rional adjournment deadline of midnight Wednesday. Passage of Senate Bill 163, which expands state protections of free-speech rights of employees in the workplace, prompted celebration by the state's largest

labor group and condemnation by its largest trade association.

Battles between the Connecti-

cut AFL-CIO and Connecticut Business and Industry Association are at their most fraught when Connecticut's labor-friendly legislature is weighing bills that break new ground or reinforce a tenuous beachhead.

Oregon is the only other state with a captive audience law, a concept viewed by the AFL-CIO as a protection against intimidation and denounced by CBIA and other industry groups as illegally intrusive in employer-employee relations.

The measure passed on a vote of 88-56, with eight Democrats joining 48 Republicans in opposition. One Republican, Rep. Tom Delnicki of South Windsor, voted in favor. The Senate voted 23-11 for passage last week.

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### **POLICE BRIEFS**

### **HARTFORD**

### Man allegedly shot woman with his child present

A man who allegedly shot a woman while he had his juvenile child with him was arrested in Hartford on Tuesday.

The Norwich Police Department responded to a report of shots fired at 7:30 a.m. on East Main Street in Norwich, where they found a female victim with a gunshot wound through her left leg.

The suspect had reportedly fled the scene prior to police arrival.

With the assistance of Hartford police and the Connecticut State Police, the suspect, Larry Brown, 46, of Norwich, was arrested at approximately 9:30 a.m. in Hartford. The juvenile was also located safe and unharmed.

Brown is currently in police custody at Norwich Police Headquarters in lieu of a \$500,000 bond. He is charged with first-degree assault, unlawful discharge of a firearm, criminal possession of a firearm, disorderly conduct, reckless endangerment, criminal mischief, five counts of risk of injury to a minor and criminal violation of a protective order, according to police.

According to police, the female victim was taken to Backus Hospital, where she is being treated.

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### WALLINGFORD

### 4 arrested after allegedly crashing, fleeing stolen car

Three 18-year-olds and a juvenile were arrested early Monday after reportedly fleeing a stolen car that crashed off Route 68 in Wallingford, police said.

On Monday around 1:45 a.m. the East Windsor Police Department asked the Wallingford Police Department for assistance in locating a stolen 2021 Ford Explorer Sport Limited.

They believed the car was located in the area of 1406 Durham Road in Wallingford. Wallingford Police officers converged on the neighborhood and the stolen car fled the scene. The car ended up crashing off the roadway when it failed to negotiate the turn from High Hill Road, police said. The suspects fled the scene on foot into the woods nearby.

According to police, all four were arrested and transported to Wallingford Police headquarters. They were charged with first-degree larceny, conspiracy to commit first-degree larceny and interfering with an officer. They were held on \$25,000 bond and are scheduled to appear

— Staff report

# **CHAPLIN**

### Victim in killing ID'd; suspect arrested in **New Hampshire**

A suspect in the killing of a Chaplin man was arrested in New Hampshire, Connecticut state police said Tuesday.

Matthew Candler, 46, was taken into custody on an extraditable felony warrant at a hotel in Seabrook. police said. He is suspected of killing Jeffrey C. Rawson, 51, of Chaplin, police said. Police found a pickup truck connected to the case Sunday in Salisbury, Massachusetts.

Rawson was found dead in his home at 214 Miller Road that morning after police received a report of an assault with life-threatening injuries. Police say they quickly identified Candler as a person of interest in the case.

Jesse Leavenworth

### **HARTFORD**

### Man, convicted of murder, gets 27 years in child porn case

A Hartford man, who previously had been convicted of murder, was sentenced to 27 years in prison Monday on a child pornography

Ronald Daniel, 52, was accused of sexually assaulting an 8-year-old child, photographing the assaults and later posting the images on an Internet site popular with pedophiles. Federal prosecutors said Daniel gained the trust of the victim and assaulted her while ostensibly taking her out for a treat.

Daniel is accused of twice driving the victim to a secluded spot, committing sexual assaults and threatening to kill the victim if she told anyone.

Daniel was previously convicted of murder after shooting a drug dealer in the head and neck with a sawed-off shotgun following a payment dispute, federal prosecutors said.

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### **Unions**

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Gov. Ned Lamont is expected to sign the bill.

"The labor movement is incredibly grateful to the representatives that voted to protect workers from employer intimidation and harassment during union organizing campaigns, said Ed Hawthorne, president of the state AFL-CIO. "No employer should be able to force a worker to attend a meeting to coerce their opinions on religion, politics, or union organizing. And no one should be fearful at work for exercising their right to join a union."

Chris DiPentima, the president of CBIA, said the passage by the Democratic-controlled legislature displayed a tone-deafness, given Connecticut's reputation as a difficult and expensive place to do business.

"I'm embarrassed for DiPentima Connecticut, our amazing residents, and businesses that the legislature approved this unconstitutional, anti-employer bill as confirmed by our former attorney general twice, and three separate court decisions," he said.

The legal questions Porter turn on whether the state legislation is in conflict with the National Labor Relations Act. which preempts the ability of states to regulate labor-manage-

An earlier version was deemed by former CT Attorney General George Jepsen to be preempted by the federal law.

ment relations.

Developer

William Tong, who succeeded him in 2019, opined then that

in the competitive and cut-throat

world of real estate development in

New York City." They said he built

two companies, Fairchild Proper-

ties and Fairchild Realty Group, into

multimillion dollar enterprises that

at one time employed 3,200 people.

were Payton Lane Nursing Home in

Southampton, N.Y., New York Tree-

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Center in Oakdale, N.Y.: Kensington

Green of Southbury in Southbury;

the Southbury Hilton in Southbury;

the Danbury Hilton in Danbury; the

Westport Inn in Westport; and the

Sofitel Philadelphia at Rittenhouse

estate industry, Mr. Klein's business

was crippled by the 2008 financial

crisis," his lawyers said in a court

bond, was taken into custody at

the conclusion of Tuesday's court

Klein, who had been free on

"Like so many others in the real

Square in Philadelphia.

Among Klein's developments

Jepsen was correct in his view that the 2018 proposal conflicted with federal law, but a revised version could pass legal muster.

DiPentima complained that the General Assembly is too deferential to labor.

"At a time when struggling small businesses desperately need support, the General Assembly decided to make it even more difficult to do business in Connecticut and continues to weaken the employer-employee relationship," DiPentima said. "That relationship is critical for driving innovation and makes Connecticut businesses some of the safest and most productive in the world." On Friday night, Rep. Steve

Stafstrom, D-Bridgeport, the co-chair of the Judiciary Committee, said the 2022 bill was narrowly drawn to only bar employers from mandating attendance at meetings called to

gion or politics. Political matters include a decision to join or support a political party or labor organiza-

discuss matters of reli-

"SB 163 makes clear that certain employer activities are not prohibited as well," Stafstrom said. "Those include communications

required by law, communications necessary for employees to perform their duties, and certain communications at institutions of higher education and casual communications."

State Rep. Robyn Porter, D-New Haven, co-chair of the Labor and Public Employees Committee, called the bill "a tool to level the playing field."

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"It's not all employers, but there are some bad actors out there, and this is a way to address that," she said.

Fishbein conceded that lawmakers heard stories of abuse at the public hearing, but none that required a new law. Every abuse mentioned already was actionable under state or federal law, he said.

"And I said to them, 'When you filed your action, what happened?' And they said they didn't do anything. They just wanted this legislation, this Band-Aid," Fishbein said.

"We heard about policy. This policy is trouble, this bill troubling. If the governor signs it, it becomes law. The trouble becomes worse. Ultimately, the messages to our businesses will be don't come to Connecticut. You'll just get in trouble.'

Wisconsin passed a captive audience bill in 2009 before rescinding it. Oregon's bill has been the subject of a court fight, with the National Labor Relations Board arguing it is in conflict with federal labor law.

Earlier this month, Jennifer Abruzzo, the general counsel for the National Labor Relations Board, announced that she would ask the federal labor board to issue a ruling banning those corporate tactics nationwide.

"In workplaces across America, employers routinely hold mandatory meetings in which employees are forced to listen to employer speech concerning the exercise of their statutory labor rights, especially during organizing campaigns," Abruzzo wrote in a memorandum.

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# Trooper

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minimum of five years behind bars if convicted. He has been free after turning himself in on April 19 and posting bail of \$50,000.

North shot and killed Soulemane, 19, of New Haven, at the end of a high-speed chase on Jan. 15. The chase started after Soulemane tried to steal an iPhone from an AT&T store, slapped a Lyft driver and stole the driver's white 2012 Hyundai Sonata, authorities say.
Soulemane veered off I-95

North in West Haven and crashed into an SUV under an overpass after flying down the highway at more than 100 mph with state troopers on his tail. Footage from the scene shows troopers and a West Haven police officer descending on the car after it was stopped off Exit 43 and blocked by police cars. A video of the shooting shows North, who is white, firing seven shots into the car after the trooper allegedly saw Soulemane, who is Black, with a

Inspector General Robert J. Devlin Jr. concluded, however. that neither North nor two other officers outside the car were in imminent danger of having deadly force used against them. Devlin added that due to the police car blocking his door, Soulemane could not have gotten out.

"Although [Soulemane] held a knife in his right hand, he was not using the knife against them nor presenting any imminent threat to do so," he wrote.

Soulemane's family had called for an independent investigation and for the trooper's arrest after the shooting. They said he was a community college student who had schizophrenia.

Soulemane had been reported missing by his family the morning he was shot, according to a police report. The family told police he had been diagnosed with schizophrenia at age 14. Loved ones said he was acting erratic and paranoid and likely wasn't taking his medication, according to the report.

Soulemane's mother, Omo Klusum Mohammed, was in Uganda visiting family when the shooting happened. On Tuesday in front of the courthouse, Mohammed said, "I'm here for justice for my son," whom she said was "massacred" by North.

"The police say, 'Policing is dead.' We say Mubarak Soulemane is dead because of Trooper Brian North. Mubarak's legacy will be real lasting change from coast to coast," Soulemane family attorney Mark Arons said.

"Police across the country are now on notice - at long last and forevermore — that while police are necessary and vital, the tactics and training must change," Arons said. "The use of force — the use of deadly force — must be the very last option and not the first choice. Mubarak's legacy will be a real, lasting change from coast to coast that results in saving lives for years to come."

About 15 fellow law enforcement officers who gathered at the courthouse before and during the arraignment would not comment. Soulemane family spokesman Rev. Kevin McCall said the family would not be intimidated by the show of support for North and vowed that family and supporters will be at every court appearance.

Arons and Sanford Rubenstein, attorneys for the family, appeared in court and spoke after the arraignment. Rubenstein said he looked forward to a jury's decision "that this was an execution."

The state police union has extended condolences to Soulemane's family, saying, "No Connecticut state trooper ever intends to or has the desire to take the life of another human being." But a state police union call to

rally for North at his arraignment said, "We are all disappointed that the politically appointed Inspector General, independently, made the decision to prosecute Trooper North, who was forced to make a split-second decision during these dangerous and rapidly evolving circumstances. We believe Trooper North

acted objectively reasonable during this violent encounter and we believe a jury will find reasonable doubt and acquit him of these serious charges, "the notice said.

This rally is about more than just the arrest of Trooper North," the notice said. "It's about sending a clear message to the politicians that a police officer's job is inherently dangerous — and that ALL officers — regardless of the uniform they wear — will defend and support each other."

McCall said Tuesday that the union's condolences are meaningless, and he called on union leaders to "show some emotional intelligence."

North is the third Connecticut police officer to be arrested for fatal shootings dating back to

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mites."

by seasonal allergies every year, according to the CDC, with medical costs linked to pollen exceeding \$3 billion annually, with nearly half of those costs linked to prescription medicine.

There are ways to mitigate spring and summer seasonal allergies, Angellilo said.

'This time of year, I tell people as much as you love to put the windows up in the spring, don't sleep with your windows open," she said. "Try to use the air conditioner instead. Air purifiers in the house can help with any dust allergies as well.

"If you're going to be outside for any length of time, make sure you shower before you go to bed to get all that pollen off your skin and out of your hair. I also say don't go to bed with wet hair because you can get mold in your pillows. Wash your bed linens frequently, hot water, dry them in the drier, that will get rid of pollen in the linens. The heat will also kill any dust

She also advises people who have significant environmental allergies to wear a mask if they are going to be doing any yard work.

Over-the-counter medications such as oral antihistamines can also be effective, Angellilo said, adding that people may have to try more than one brand to see if it works.

Ultimately, if none of those things works, then it may be time to seek professional help.

"If it's really bothersome to people and it's affecting their lifestyle, I would suggest getting allergy tested or consulting a physician to get allergy tested and see what their options are from there," Angellilo said. "If it's affecting your lifestyle or your livelihood, that's when I would go see a physician about that."

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underlying cost of care." Halpin also said changing state and federal regulatory requirements, such as the Affordable Care Act's elimination of limits on pre-existing conditions, contribute to rate

In 2019, OHS found that hospital inpatient and outpatient spending were primary contributors to rising health care costs for commercially insured individuals. Nationally, hospital care accounted for 31% of all personal health care spending in 2019, rising 6.2% from the year prior to nearly \$1.2 trillion.

Jill McDonald Halsey, spokeswoman for the Connecticut Hospital Association, said the hospitals support the state's effort to limit the annual growth rate of health care spending - an initiative, passed via Executive Order two years ago, known as the health care cost growth benchmark. She attributed the rising costs of care to several factors, including labor, the pandemic, inflation and inadequate state and federal payments for patients on Medicare and HUSKY plans.

"We need to examine the entire system if we are to be successful, including providers, health insurance companies, and drug manufacturers," McDonald Halsey said in emailed comments. "OHS's analysis to date has been too narrowly focused and relies on incomplete data. If we are to be successful in achieving greater affordability, OHS will need to broaden its view to all stakeholders and focus on a more comprehensive list of contributing factors."

The state General Assembly is considering legislation that would codify the governor's executive order on limiting rising health care costs through data transparency. House Bill 5042, which passed the House 119-29 last week and awaited a vote in the Senate as of Tuesday, requires insurers and providers to make cost and quality data public and calls on OHS to hold public hearings with entities that don't meet state targets.

The bill is part of a broad package of legislation, proposed by Gov. Ned Lamont, aimed at reining in health care costs across the

Lamont recently held a press conference at UConn Health in Farmington to push the Senate to pass H.B. 5042. Joined by Sen. Matt Lesser, D-Middletown, and Sen. Tony Hwang, R-Fairfield, he told the gathering of doctors and state administrators: "This allows private sector employers across the board [to] be able to make the most informed decisions - where you get the best value, where you can get the best return, and where you can get the highest quality health care."

Hospital consolidation plays a **role:** Academic researchers have attributed much of the steep rise in hospital costs in recent years to poorly functioning markets for hospital services — namely, the consolidation of hospital systems through mergers and acquisitions, which reduces competition.

In Connecticut, the health care field has consolidated significantly, with Hartford Health-Care and Yale New Haven Health steadily gaining share in markets around the state. Another piece of legislation proposed this session sought to outlaw anticompetitive practices among hospitals.

Hartford HealthCare is fighting two civil lawsuits over allegedly "unfair methods" and "attempted monopolization" of the market. Competitor Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center sued HHC in January, and a group of consumers filed

a proposed class action lawsuit against the hospital system in February.

UUS:E's Rev. Pawelek is one of the plaintiffs in the second case. In their complaint, he and his fellow plaintiffs alleged: "There is a direct connection between higher hospital prices and higher insurance premiums, and ... one of the primary drivers of an increase in premiums is consolidation in the relevant hospital

The economic effects of hospital consolidation can be far-reaching.

Research from the RAND Corporation has tied hospital mergers — and the higher prices for hospital care that result — to declines in wages in their local markets. In a 2020 study, RAND's Daniel Arnold and Christopher Whaley found that hospital mergers between 2010 and 2016 reduced average wages of local residents by about 1%.

Both Connecticut's Attorney General and the Office of Health Strategy have said they're paying close attention to the issue of hospital consolidation and the impact it can have on the cost of H.B. 5042 contains some minor

adjustments to OHS's authority in reviewing and approving proposed mergers; OHS has recommended expanding that authority further. "We need access to insurance

that's affordable, flexible and predictable," said Andy Markowski, Connecticut director of the National Federation of Independent Businesses. "But before you even get to affordable, flexible and predictable, it needs to be in a competitive market."

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# Lawmakers back legal refuge for trans kids

Coalition working to keep children who receive gender-affirming health care in parents' custody

**By Holly Ramer** 

Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. - Democratic lawmakers in more than a dozen states are following California's lead in seeking to offer legal refuge to displaced transgender youth and their families.

The coordinated effort being announced Tuesday by the LGBTQ Victory Institute and other advocates comes in response to recent actions taken in conservative states. In Texas, for example, Gov. Gregg Abbott has directed state agencies to consider placing transgender children in foster care, though a judge has temporarily blocked such

investigations. And multiple states have approved measures prohibiting gender-affirming health care treatments for transgender youth.

To combat such moves, lawmakers in both Minnesota and New York recently filed refuge state legislation modeled after the bill proposed in March by state Sen. Scott Wiener in California. Democrats in 16 other states plan to follow suit, though about half of their legislatures are out of session or not currently accepting new

Wiener said he immediately began hearing from other states after coming forward with his bill, which would reject any out-of-



Wiener

state court judgments removing children from their parents' custody because they allowed gender-affirming health care. It also would make arrest warrants based on

alleged violation of another state's law against receiving such care the lowest priority for California law enforcement.

"We're sick of just playing defense against what these red states are doing," Wiener said in an interview Monday. "We're going on offense, we're going to protect LGBQT kids and their families and we're going to build a rainbow wall to protect our community."

Also joining the effort are

LGBTQ lawmakers in Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

Annise Parker, president and CEO of the Victory Institute, acknowledged that the legislation likely will fail in some states but said it was time to stand against the onslaught of bills targeting the LGBTQ community.

This is our opportunity to drive the conversation and the debate, and to call on our allies proactively to step up instead of allowing ourselves to be targeted," said Parker, who was the first openly LGBTO mayor of a major American city when she led Houston for

"We would love to see these bills in states where there are more progressive legislatures," she said. "But we also think it's important that trans kids and their families out there see and hear legislators from our community standing up and defending them."

Wiener said it is despicable that any family would have to consider moving to a new state to protect a child, but if that happens, he hopes as many states as possible will welcome them.

"When your kid is being threatened with removal from your home, families are going to consider a lot of different options, and we just want to be clear that if you decide that's the option for vou, we're going to do everything we can do to welcome you and protect you," he said.

### **REVIEW**

# HartBeat casts spell with 'Bee Trapped Inside the Window'

A serene meditation on isolation, injustice takes stage at Carriage House

**By Christopher Arnott** Hartford Courant

A strange and meaningful thing happened at the April 29 performance of Saviana Stanescu's touching drama "Bee Trapped Inside the Window" at HartBeat Ensemble's Carriage House space on Farmington Avenue.

The play ended and nobody moved. Nobody clapped. Nobody did anything for minutes on end.

We all just sat there. The mood became tranquil and meditative, befitting a play that refuses to tie things up neatly and purposely leaves a lot of provocative questions open for discussion.

This critic has rarely seen anything like it. I've been at experimental theater pieces that defied traditional curtain calls or endured moments of stunned silence (good and bad) before a crowd reaction finally kicked in.

This was different. It was a confluence of events.

This is not giving anything away, since most of "Bee Trapped Inside the Window" is a mix of quiet moments where the three cast members stand apart onstage, but the play ends in a silent tableau.

The three actors in it struck calm, reflective poses. Soft music continued to play. There was plenty to ponder. Not only that, but the production begins with one of the characters sitting in full view of the audience at the center of the stage for about a half-hour before the play commences.

If the audience doesn't know how (or when, or if) to respond, there's a reason.

I saw an earlier version of the play presented virtually in March 2021, so I was aware of how it

ended. I guess I could have started the applause, but I tend to observe rather than lead in such cases.

Other audience members could have tested the waters by clapping but chose not to do so. The actors did not return to the stage or otherwise signal finality. Dozens of us sat in the cozy 77-seat auditorium ruminating for a good five minutes.

Finally, HartBeat Ensemble's artistic director Godfrey L. Simmons Jr. poked his head through the door and asked, "Everyone OK?"

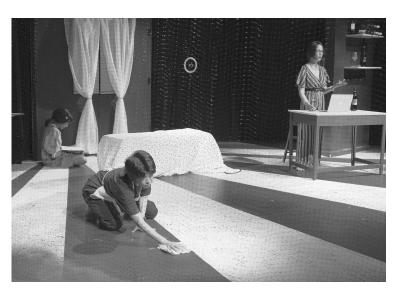
This is where some critics might suggest that a play needs to work on its ending, announce its transitions more clearly, or have the actors ostentatiously bow or smile or make the praying-hands gesture. Yet, I hope that "Bee Trapped Inside the Window" stays mysterious and serene.

So much of the return of live theatergoing post-pandemic is about hooting and hollering "We're back!" We mustn't forget the other extreme: communal contemplation, the sort of shared theater experience that's more spiritual than social.

"Bee Trapped Inside the Window" certainly casts a spell.

Think of how hard it must be to write and stage a play about domestic slavery, not to mention the midlife crisis of an overachiever and the coming-of-age struggles of an energetic teenage girl, in a manner that's calm, meditative, psychologically profound and luminous. It is not obvious, overt, grand or pushy, and that's a wonderful thing to experience.

Everything about this play is thoughtful and reserved. Its characters stay remote from one another on the small stage, and director Vernice Miller furthers that distancing by allotting each of the actors her own section of the stage without any clear dividing



Erin Lockett, from left, as Mia, Mami Kumari as Malaya and Jennifer Dorr White as Sasha in "Bee Trapped Inside the Window." RAY SHAW / COURTESY

IF YOU GO: "Bee Trapped Inside the Window"runs through May 8 at the Carriage House, 360 Farmington Ave., Hartford. Performances are Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. \$25; \$20 students, seniors and Let's Go Arts members; "no one left behind for lack of funds." More info at hartbeatensemble.org.

The whole show is seen through light netting that surrounds the playing area. Outside the netting the floor is spray painted green in an abstract approximation of a suburban lawn.

Mia is a bright, idealistic teen. We watch her age from 12 into her college years, several years passing within just a few lines of the script. Erin Lockett plays her with wideeved innocence combined with a budding intelligence and compas-

Mia's mother Sasha is Russian, a successful business executive who has raised Mia in Fairfield County. Sasha talks to herself about how she's still attractive, still important, still powerful.

Sasha has told Mia almost nothing about her father other than that he was African, leading the teen to create her own stories of her heritage. Jennifer Dorr White allows useful moments of self-doubt to creep into Sasha's severe exterior.

Malaya is a maid in a neighboring house. She is proud of being a hard worker and schedules her day with intense precision, itemizing her chores and when she does them. Mami Kumari gives her an effervescent spark of industriousness and vitality, as well as a sad vulnerability.

Lockett and White have been a part of "Bee Trapped Inside the Window" since its earliest developmental stages, including last year's virtual rendition.

We hear a lot about these women from themselves, through voluminous interior monologues. They eventually interact, in convincingly stilted conversations that show how different, insecure, self-involved or simply socially awkward they each can be.

Besides the realistic relationships and revelations, "Bee Trapped Inside the Window" also delivers some stirring metaphors and allegories about independence and community.

The HartBeat Ensemble production of this play, which artistic director Simmons has nurtured since he saw Stanescu perform a monologue version of a similar story several years ago at Civic Ensemble in New York, is scored with mood music from Nina Simone and other sensitive soul singers. It has subtle shifts in lighting and tones. It has a wide range of emotions. You feel trapped yourself watching these characters trapped in their own difficult situations, some of their own making and some decidedly not.

"Bee Trapped Inside a Window" can really get inside your head and make you wonder what it takes to make positive change in a fractured world.

It does so in an economical 90 minutes without intermission — if it ever really ends at all.

# Woman again accused of fraud

New charges come as she awaits sentencing for role in Helping Hands scheme

**By Edmund H. Mahony** Hartford Courant

Federal prosecutors on Tuesday charged a Stratford woman with stealing money from a federally subsidized health care program — after she had been arrested and was waiting to be sentenced in an earlier health care fraud case.

In the first case, Nicole Steiner, 32, pleaded guilty and was convicted on a single health care fraud charge in connection with her operation of Helping Hands Academy, in Bridgeport, which advertised that it provided applied behavior analysis services to children diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder.

The business was a participant in the Connecticut Medicaid Program, which subsidizes care for low income people.

For almost two years beginning in December 2018, Steiner billed Medicaid for more than \$500.000 for services that were not performed, according to federal authorities.

After state officials detected the fraud and terminated Helping Hands as a Medicaid participant, federal prosecutors said Steiner "made several false statements and submitted an altered document" in an attempt to rescind the termination and get payment for outstanding

Stiner was released on a \$50,000 bond to await sentencing after pleading guilty in that case. Medicaid suffered a loss of \$551,311.85 as a result of Steiner's admitted conduct, according to federal authorities.

Federal prosecutors said Tuesday that, while waiting to be sentenced, Steiner acted as a silent partner in New Beginnings Children's Behavioral Health, another company that provided applied behavior analysis services to children diagnosed as being on the autism spectrum.

In the second company, prosecutors said Steiner was responsible for billing claims to Medicaid, managing payroll, and recruiting and screening potential employees, and she had access to and used her business partner's email and other online accounts to operate the company. Steiner and the company allegedly engaged in health care fraud by billing Medicaid for thousands of dollars in services not rendered and, in particular, billing for services not rendered by Steiner, according to federal authorities.

If convicted of the new charge, Steiner faces a maximum term of 10 years in prison, which would have to be imposed consecutively to the sentence she receives in her initial health care fraud

Anyone who suspects health care fraud can report it by calling 1-800-HHS-TIPS.

# **Taprock in Unionville** closing; Latin fusion eatery slated for spot

**By Susan Dunne** Hartford Courant

Taprock Beer Bar & Refuge, a restaurant at 81 S. Main St. in the Unionville section of Farmington, announced on Facebook it would close on May 21.

Taprock is the second restaurant in Unionville to announce its closure this week. Pomona Pete's, at 55 Mill St., also has shut its doors permanently, as a result of financial hardship brought on by the pandemic, its owner, Joe Sweeney, said.

The location will be the site of a new restaurant. On March 25, Luis Vazquez appeared before the Farmington planning and zoning commission to get authorization for a change in ownership from Taprock to Puente American Latino Pub. His request was unanimously approved.

Taprock's Facebook post read: "Sometimes even the best things must come to an end. As many people have already heard Taprock Beer Bar & Refuge will be closing its doors on May 21st. Our Taprock family has grown so much over the last 5+ years and we are so thankful for all of the support we have received from the community especially

through these last two years. Aside from having the opportunity to serve great food, cocktails and the best beer lineup, we will never forget the friends made and laughs shared with so many. We will have our doors open for the last time on May 21st and want to welcome everyone for one last fun night with your favorite family. So until then, come in, use those gift cards, use those points, and show your support one more time for this amazing staff that we will be forever grateful for. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for everything Unionville!

Contacted on Tuesday, Taprock owner Ankit Harpaldas, who is also owner of Sherkaan Indian Street Food in New Haven, would not elaborate on the reasons for the closure. "Nothing lasts forever," he said. He expressed his respect for Vazquez. "I wish him nothing but success," he said.

Fans of Taprock gathered on Facebook to mourn its imminent

"So sorry to hear this! While we weren't 'regulars,' you were always our stop on the way from Boston to Litchfield. Thanks for the fabulous food, beer, and service," said one commenter.

# Pomona Pete's closes doors, becomes another victim of the pandemic

**By Susan Dunne** Hartford Courant

Pomona Pete's, a family restaurant at 55 Mill St. in the Unionville section of Farmington, has closed, another restaurant to fall victim to the coronavirus pandemic, owner Joe Sweeney told the Courant.

We closed in April and tried to remodel and revamp and cut out loose ends, as far as the amount of the lease. It just couldn't be done," Sweeney said. "When you talk about the cost of goods going up 18 to 22%, the availability of getting those goods, the labor percentages going up, the profit line was pretty much nothing. At some point you're spending \$1.01 to make a dollar. You got to be able to pay your bills. We couldn't hold on any longer."

He also said customers remain cautious about going out and enjoying restaurants. "The general public is still a little leery about doing a lot of things that they did three years ago," he said.

He said he cut a lot of corners, but was hesitant to raise prices. "We try to keep the prices down because we know what our community is. Unionville is not a big-buck area. It's not Hartford. It's not New Haven,"

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Unionville restaurant to announce its closure this week. Taprock Beer Bar & Refuge announced on Facebook it would close on May 21.

Pomona Pete's, which opened in 2019, has struggled since the pandemic began. In February 2021, Sweeney closed the restaurant temporarily to hibernate through the cold season, when he could not use the patio to increase his traffic and revenue. At that time, he said curfew restrictions that were loosened to allow restaurants to open until 11 p.m. did not help his restaurant, which catered to a family crowd that didn't stay out that late. He also said fees charged by thirdparty delivery apps cut drastically into his profit margin.

Rob Price, a partner in the restaurant, said Pomona Pete's couldn't apply for a Restaurant Revitalization Fund because even though business was down, during the application period business wasn't down enough to make the cut.

Sweeney said he already has a new job, as general manager of Tomato Joe's in Rocky Hill. He helped his staff members get new jobs, at Mama Luke's in Farmington and at Tomato Joe's.

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# **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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### **TOWN OF ESSEX** PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 **BUDGET ADOPTION MEETING - MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022**

IWWC Commission

	SUMMAR	Y DA	ATA		
	2021	-202	22	2022-20	)23
Description	Budgeted	ı	Forecasted 06/30/22	Budgeted	% Change Budgeted vs Budgeted
REVENUES					
Tax Collection	\$ 24,251,775	\$	24,459,056	\$ 24,972,708	
State and Federal	507,746		585,535	476,676	
Local	603,200		1,112,277	593,200	
UNASSIGNED FUND DECREASE	290,794		-	-	
TOTAL BUDGETED REVENUE	\$ 25,653,515	\$	26,156,868	\$ 26,042,584	1.52%
EXPENSES					
Selectmen's Budget	\$ 8,831,602		\$ 8,754,522	\$ 9,076,622	
Education	16,821,913		16,821,913	16,965,962	
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENSES	\$ 25,653,515	\$	25,576,435	\$ 26,042,584	1.52%

2022-2023 ESTIMATED REVENUES												
Description	Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget	Forecasted Revenues 6/30/22	Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Estimated Revenues	% Change Budgeted vs. Budgeted								
TAX COLLECTION												
Property Taxes	\$ 24,051,775	\$ 24,125,056										
Prior Years (Delinquent) Property Taxes	150,000	225,000	150,000									
Interest and Lien Fees	50,000	109,000	50,000									
TOTAL TAX COLLECTION	24,251,775	24,459,056	24,972,708	2.97%								
STATE & FEDERAL AGENCIES												
Veterans Tax Relief	3,962	2,426	3,962									
Access Line Tax Share	20,000	18,000	20,000									
State Education Grants	103,926	103,926	103,926									
Town Aid Road Fund Grant	215,735	215,815	215,735									
LoCIP	40,765	40,852	40,765									
Circuit Court Fines	4,000	1,000	4,000									
Grants in Lieu of Taxes	10,393	13,150	10,393									
Municipal Grant in Aid	74,547	74,527	74,547									
Federal ESSER II	31,070	-	-									
Miscellaneous State and Federal	3,348	115,839	3,348									
TOTAL STATE & FEDERAL AGENCIES	507,746	585,535	476,676	-6.12%								
LOCAL REVENUES												
Interest on Temporary Funds	25,000	2,000	15,000									
Miscellaneous Permits	3,500	3,000	3,500									
Landfill Fees	80,000	80,000	80,000									
Building Permits	125,000	125,000	125,000									
Planning & Zoning Permits	9,600	4,500	9,600									
Zoning Board of Appeals	2,160	858	2,160									
Conveyance Tax	110,000	225,000	110,000									
Park and Recreation Fees	2,000		2,000									
Miscellaneous Receipts	25,000	453,717	25,000									
Town Clerk Fees	115,000	138,000	115,000									
Inland Wetlands Permits	1,440	2,085	1,440									
Regional Recycling Fee	62,000	53,260	62,000									
Health Department Fees	7,500	9,000	7,500									
Local PILOT	35,000	15,857	35,000									
TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES	603,200	1,112,277	593,200	-1.66%								
UNASSIGNED FUND DECREASE	290,794	-	-	-100.00%								
TOTAL REVENUES ALL SOURCES	\$ 25,653,515	\$ 26,156,868	\$ 26,042,584	1.52%								

EXPENDITUR	ES SUMMARY FO	R FISCAL YEAR 2	022-2023	
	2021-	-2022	2022-20	)23
Description	Original Budgeted Expenditures	Forecasted Expenditures 06/30/22	Budget Request	% Change
GENERAL GOVERNMENT				
Selectmen	249,862	193,173	264,693	5.94%
Assessor	127,155	127,155	134,006	5.39%
Central Services	229,223	229,223	234,575	2.33%
Elections	48,065	48,065	48,560	1.03%
Probate Court	3,460	3,460	3,460	0.00%
Tax Collector	129,450	129,450	133,394	3.05%
Town Clerk	182,212	207,212	186,039	2.10%
Finance	229,323	229,323	240,214	4.75%
Fringe Benefits	1,164,176	1,119,176	1,184,720	1.76%
General Insurance	196,650	196,650	200,900	2.16%
Legal Services	69,500	69,500	66,000	-5.04%
Public Restroom Facilities	14,250	14,250	14,250	0.00%
Technology	244,841	244,841	265,876	8.59%
Board of Assessment Appeals	1,330	1,330	1,330	0.00%
Board of Finance	108,300	31,500	112,660	4.03%
Conservation Commission	12,125	12,125	12,125	0.00%
Economic Development Commission	1,850	1,850	1,850	0.00%

INVINC COMMISSION	1,390	1,590	1,390	0.00%
Land Use - Administrative	287,234	287,234	303,663	5.72%
Park and Recreation	189,430	189,430	206,336	8.92%
Park and Recreation Commission	1,100	1,100	1,100	0.00%
Planning & Zoning Commission	1,350	1,350	1,350	0.00%
Tree Committee	7,000	7,000	7,000	0.00%
Zoning Board of Appeals	5,450	5,450	3,200	-41.28%
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	3,504,926	3,351,437	3,628,891	3.54%
PUBLIC SAFETY				
Ambulance Association/ EMT Services	31,700	31,700	37,200	17.35%
Animal Control	12,500	12,500	15,000	20.00%
Building Department	81,598	81,598	83,996	2.94%
Emergency Management	19,700	19,700	19,700	0.00%
Emergency 9-1-1	123,649	123,706	128,011	3.53%
Fire Department	384,938	384,938	394,885	2.58%
Fire Marshal	51,413	51,413	54,012	5.06%
Harbor Patrol	29,800	29,800	32,300	8.39%
Police Services	441,454	512,460	497,277	12.65%
Resident State Trooper	175,500	175,500	186,129	6.06%
Water	190,000	185,000	194,636	2.44%
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	1,542,252	1,608,315	1,643,146	6.54%
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES				
Estuary Transit	20,825	20,825	21,245	2.02%
Health Department	160,057	160,057	188,040	17.48%
Transfer Station &	255,180	255,180	265,972	4.23%
Recycling Center	200,100	200,100	200,012	112070
Social Services	101,949	101,949	95,498	-6.33%
Visiting Nurses	68,546	68,546	68,546	0.00%
TOTAL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	606,557	606,557	639,301	5.40%
HIGHWAYS &				
TRANSPORTATION				
Public Works & Highway Department	934,452	934,452	963,478	3.11%
TOTAL HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION	934,452	934,452	963,478	3.11%
DEBT SERVICE				
Interest	292,706	292,706	255,231	-12.80%
Amortization of Bond	(54,043)		(46,032)	14.82%
Premium	(34,043)	(54,043)	(40,032)	17.0270
Principal	1,055,000	1,055,000	1,010,000	-4.27%
Utilization of Bond Proceeds	(40,000)	(40,000)	(15,452)	61.37%
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	1,253,663	1,253,663	1,203,747	-3.98%
LIBRARIES	432,252	432,198	443,059	2.50%
CAPITAL AND SINKING FUNDS	557,500	567,900	555,000	-0.45%
TOTAL SELECTMEN'S BUDGET	8,831,602	8,754,522	9,076,622	2.77%
EDUCATION				
Essex Board of Education	7 961 407	7 061 407	0 144 642	2 600/
	7,861,407	7,861,407	8,144,643	3.60%
Reg. Dist. 4 Board of Education	8,960,506	8,960,506	8,821,319	-1.55%
TOTAL EDUCATION	16,821,913	16,821,913	16,965,962	0.86%
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 25,653,515	\$ 25,576,435	\$ 26,042,584	1.52%

### TOWN OF ESSEX **ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING** MAY 9, 2022 **Auditorium or** Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 824 3433 1954 Passcode: 861915 Dial 1 646 558 8656 (New York)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Budget Meeting will be held in and for the Town of Essex, Connecticut on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Essex Town Hall, 29 West Avenue in said Essex.

# TO ACT AND CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

1. To make the necessary appropriations as prepared and recommended by the Board of Finance for the support of schools, highways and the general government and other necessary objects

Registered electors of the Town of Essex and United States citizens, eighteen years or older, owning taxable property assessed at \$1,000.00 or more on the last completed grand list of the Town are eligible to vote at the town meeting.

- 2. To determine and designate, pursuant to Sections 12-142, 12-144 and 12-144a, of the Connecticut General Statutes, that taxes levied on said budget will be due and payable
  - a. All Motor vehicle tax bills will be due and payable in full on July 1, 2022.
- All real estate and personal property tax bills \$100.00 or less will be due and payable in Real estate and personal property tax bills over \$100.00 may be paid in two installments

with one half due on July 1, 2022 and one half due on January 1, 2023. Norman M. Needleman, First Selectman Stacia R. Libby, Selectman

> Bruce M. Glowac, Selectman Dated this 22 day of April, 2022 at Essex, CT

### LEGAL NOTICE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17

Notice is hereby given that the Financial Report of Regional School District No. 17 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 as prepared by Seward and Monde Certified Public Accountants is on file in the Town Clerk's Office for public inspection.

Dawn Rees Mooney, CCTC, MCTC, CCMO

Town Clerk Dated at Killingworth, Connecticut this 29th day of April, 2022 5/4/2022 7202638

Extra Space Storage will hold a public

auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

below at the location indicated:
177 Brickyard Rd, Farmington, CT 06032
Auction date- May 11, 2022 at 1 PM
Jack Mulcahy Unit 046 - 2 bedroom,
boxes, mattress, tools
Alberto Torres Unit V27 - household
items 1992 Toyota pasao two coupe
parts

tised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facil ity in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. 4/27 & 5/4/22 7182002

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Carol K. Conklin. Late of

The Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Saybrook Probate Court, by decree dated April 25, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

### Jacqueline Craco, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is: Stacey Russell

RICHARD CRIST LECKERLING, LADWIG & LEAMON, LLC, 20 SOUTH ANGUILLA ROAD, BOX 5B ANGUILLA PARK, PAWCATUCK, CT 06379

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF ESTATE OF MARY L. TRUDEL, late of Portland AKA MARY LOU TRUDEL, AKA MARY TRUDEL (22-00096)

The Hon, Jennifer L. Berkenstock, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Region # 14 Probate Court, by decree dated dated April 26, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Debra C. Daniels, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is: c/o GEORGE A LAW, LAW OFFICE OF GEORGE A. LAW, 595 MAIN STREET, P.O.BOX 248, PORTLAND, CT 06480

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF Robert S. Johnson, Sr.

The Hon. Michael A. Carrier, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Berlin Probate Court, , by decree dated April 27, 2022 ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below Failure to promptly present any such clain nay result in the loss of rights to recove

Susan I. Meagher, Chief Clerk

The fiduciary is: Bruce E. Johnson /o IOHN C MATULIS IANUSZEWSKI M & D, 165 WEST MAIN STREET, P. O. BOX 150, NEW BRITAIN, CT 06050

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Wethersfield CT 06109

860-266-3184 Auction Date- May 11. 2022 1:00 PM 6224- Stephanie Colon-furniture and

8203- Sam Russell-household goods bed sets, glassware, decorations
The auction will be listed and adver tised on www.storagetreasures.com Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facil-ity in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Commission of the Town of Old Saybrook will hold a public hearing at its regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2022 in the 1st floor conference room, Old Saybrook Town Hall, 302 Main Street and via teleconference to consider the following

"Ferry Point Safe Harbor Marina" Application for Modification to Special Exception Permit & Coastal Site Plan Review to add a 720 s.f. open air pavilion. 29 Essex Road Assessor's Map 59 Lot 83, MI District, CAM Zone, CT Rive Gateway Conservation Zone.

Applicant: SHM Ferry Point, LLC Agent: Joe Wren, P.E.

Public Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/9 2356062093?pwd=WEZSYVdRcm1Dcm s4d2wMGFTVitiZ209 Meeting ID: 923 5606 2093 Meeting Passcode: 302302 Teleconference Dial·In: (929) 436-2866 One Tap Mobile: tel://9294362866,,92356062093#

At this hearing interested parties may appear and be heard and written communications may be submitted in advance via email to chris.costa@ oldsaybrookct.gov or regular mail. Copies of applications and plans are on file in the Land Use Department, Old Saybrook Town Hall, 302 Main Street and at www oldsaybrookct.gov/zoning-commission

OLD SAYBROOK ZONING COMMISSION Robert C. Friedmann, Chairman 5/4, 5/11/2022 7196624



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# BUSINESS

# Biogen to change leaders as Alzheimer's drug flops

Company also 'substantially eliminating' spending on controversial medication

By Matthew Perrone and Tom Murphy Associated Press

Biogen will replace its CEO and largely

abandon marketing of its controversial Alzheimer's drug Aduhelm less than a year after the medication's launch triggered a backlash from experts, doctors and insur-

CEO Michel Vounatsos will continue to lead the Biogen until a successor is found, the company announced Tuesday. Vounatsos joined the company in 2016 and was the chief architect of Biogen's strategy built around Aduhelm.

For now, Biogen said it is "substantially eliminating" spending on Aduhelm as part of a \$1 billion dollar cost-saving plan designed to refocus the company's flagging biotech business.

The announcement represents a stark acknowledgment that the Cambridge, Massachusetts-based company has failed to find a market for a drug that was expected to drive its business for years to come.

Aduhelm was the first new Alzheimer's drug introduction in nearly two decades. Initially priced at \$56,000 a year, analysts predicted it would quickly become a blockbuster drug that would generate billions for Biogen.

But doctors have been hesitant to prescribe it, given weak evidence that the drug slows the progression of Alzheimer's. Insurers have blocked or restricted coverage over the drug's high price tag and uncertain benefit. Even the company's decision to slash the drug's price in halfto \$28,000 a year — did little to improve

The biggest setback came last month when the federal government's Medicare health plan imposed strict limits on who can get the drug, wiping out most of its potential U.S. market. The vast majority of U.S. Alzheimer's patients are old enough to qualify for Medicare, which covers more than 60 million people, including those 65 and older.

The infused drug brought in just \$2.8 million in sales in the first quarter, which ended March 31.

Biogen said Tuesday that it booked \$275 million in charges from Aduhelm inventory write-offs in the quarter, and it would essentially shut down its sales and marketing infrastructure supporting the drug.

Aduhelm expenses dragged down the company's quarterly results, and Biogen fell short of Wall Street projections, reporting adjusted net income of \$535 million, or \$3.62 per share. Analysts forecast earnings of \$4.34 per share, according to FactSet.

Biogen executives said the restrictive Medicare decision essentially denied Aduhelm to most eligible U.S. patients, Last month the company announced it was pulling its marketing application for the drug

Biogen will continue running a federally mandated confirmatory trial designed to establish if the drug truly slows Alzhei-

The drugmaker's quarterly revenue fell 6% to \$2.5 billion, pressured by lower sales of multiple sclerosis drugs in the U.S. due to cheaper, generic competition.



A model in casual office clothing from Brooks Brothers. The job uniform concept is quickly changing. MATT ALBIANI/BROOKS BROTHERS

# New dress code goes to work

'Business casual' evolving into 'business comfort' as professionals return to office

By Anne D'Innocenzio Associated Press

NEW YORK — Blazers in knit fabrics, pants with drawstrings or elastic waists, and polo shirts as the new button-down.

Welcome to the post-pandemic dress code for the office.

After working remotely in sweats and yoga pants for two years, many are rethinking their wardrobes to balance comfort and professionalism as offices reopen. They're giving a heave-ho to the structured suits. zip-front pants and pencil skirts they wore before the COVID-19 pandemic and experimenting with new looks.

That has retailers and brands rushing to meet workers' fashion needs.

"Being comfortable is more important than being super-structured," said Kay Martin-Pence, 58, who went back to her Indianapolis office last month in dressy jeans and flowy tops after working remotely in leggings and slippers for two years. "Why feel buttoned up and stiff

when I don't have to?"

Martin-Pence used to wear dress pants with blazers to the pharmaceutical company where she works. She's gone back to heels, but they're lower, and she says she will never wear dress pants again to the office. Even before the pandemic, Americans were dressing more casually at work. The time spent in sweats accelerated the shift from "business casual" to "business

Still, return-to-office dressing remains a social experiment, said Adam Galinsky, a social psychologist at Columbia Business School who coined the term "enclothed cognition," or how what people wear affects

"My guess is that it will go more casual, but maybe it doesn't," Galinsky said. "People are going to be consciously thinking about: 'Am I wearing the right outfit for being in the office?' They're going to be thinking about what they're doing, the context they're in, and the social compari-

sons of what others will be doing. Steve Smith, CEO of outdoor sportswear brand L.L. Bean, said people are stepping out of their "typical uniform" — whatever form that may take.

"They're going to expect more flexible

hours, to be able to work in hybrid model, and to be comfortable — as comfortable as they were at home," he said. "Some of the office uniforms, office wardrobes, are shifting and changing. There's no reason why it can't be permanent."

Data from market research firm NPD Group and retailers reflect the shifting trends. Wire-free bras now represent more than 50% of the total, non-sports bra market in the U.S., reversing a long-term trend, according to NPD. Sales of dressy footwear have been rebounding since 2021, but they're still 34% below 2019 levels and more likely fueled by the return of social occasions, not the office, NPD said. Instead, casual sneakers are now the most common shoes for work.

Clothing rental company Rent the Runway said rentals for blazers were up nearly twofold in February from last year, reflecting a return to offices. But its customers are choosing colorful versions like pastel and fabrics like lightweight tweed, linens and twill.

It said "business formal" rentals — traditional workwear like basic sheaths, pencil skirts and blazers — are roughly half of what they were in 2019, said Anushka Salinas, president and chief operating officer.

# Employers post record 11.5M jobs in March

**By Paul Wiseman** 

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Employers posted a record 11.5 million job openings in March, meaning the United States now has an unprecedented two job openings for every person who is unemployed.

The latest data released Tuesday by the Bureau of Labor Statistics further reveals an extraordinarily tight labor market that has emboldened millions of Americans to seek better paying jobs, while also contributing to the biggest inflation surge in four decades.

A record 4.5 million Americans quit their jobs in March — a sign that they are confident they can find better pay or improved working conditions elsewhere.

Layoffs, which had been running around 1.8 million a month before the pandemic hit the economy in early 2020, ticked up to 1.4 million in March from 1.35 million in Febru-

The U.S. job market is on a hot streak. Employers have added an average of more than 540,000 jobs a month for the past year. The Labor Department is expected to report Friday that the economy generated another 400,000 new jobs in April, according to a survey by the data firm FactSet. That would mark an unprecedented 12th straight month that hiring has come in at 400,000 or more.

The U.S. economy and job market roared back with unexpected strength from 2020's brief but devastating coronavirus recession, fueled by massive government spending and super-low interested rates engineered by the Federal Reserve.

Caught off guard by the sudden rebound in consumer demand, companies scrambled to hire workers and stock their shelves. They were forced to raise wages, and factories, ports and freight yards were overwhelmed with traffic. The result has been shipping delays and higher prices.

### **BUSINESS BRIEFING**

# Pfizer posts 61% 1st-quarter profit

COVID-19 vaccine and treatment sales helped Pfizer breeze past Wall Street's first-quarter expectations, as the drugmak-

er's profit grew 61%. The coronavirus vaccine Comirnaty brought in more than \$13 billion in sales in the quarter. The pill treatment Paxlovid, which launched in 2021, added \$1.5 billion in the first quarter.

All that helped company revenue swell 77%, compared to last year's quarter, when vaccine sales were still ramping up.

Overall, Pfizer on Tuesday posted net income of \$7.86 billion and adjusted earnings of \$1.62 per share in the first quarter.

That easily topped the \$1.49 per share projected by industry analysts, according to a survey by FactSet.

# BP profit renews windfall tax plea

LONDON — BP posted its highest quarterly profit in more than a decade thanks to surging oil and gas prices, renewing calls for a U.K. government tax on energy companies' windfall earnings to help households struggling with rising energy bills.

The British energy giant said Tuesday that underlying replacement cost profit the industry standard measure — more than doubled in the first three months of the year, to \$6.2 billion from \$2.6 billion in the same period last year.

After accounting for a write-off of its nearly 20% stake in Russian oil producer Rosneft, BP PLC said its net loss in the first quarter totaled \$23 billion.

The company said it would buy back another \$2.5 billion in shares.

# DC, Trump settle inaugural suit for \$750K

**By Michael Balsamo** Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Former President Donald Trump's businesses and inaugural committee have reached a deal to pay Washington, D.C., \$750,000 to resolve a lawsuit that alleged the committee overpaid for events at his hotel and enriched the former president's family in the process, according to the District of Columbia's attorney general.

Attorney General Karl Racine announced the settlement agreement in the case against the Presidential Inaugural Committee, the Trump Organization and the Trump International Hotel in Washington in a tweet Tuesday. The document had not yet been signed by a judge.

The agreement says the settlement would "avoid the cost, burden, and risks of further litigation" and that the organizations "dispute these allegations on numerous grounds and deny having engaged in any wrongdoing or unlawful conduct."

As part of the agreement, the defendants will pay the District of Columbia a total of \$750,000, which will be used to benefit three nonprofit organizations, the settlement paperwork says.

In a statement, Trump blasted Racine and noted that the settlement includes no admission of guilt or liability.

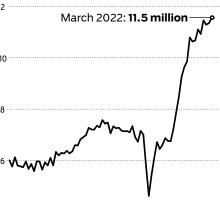
"As crime rates are soaring in our Nation's Capital, it is necessary that the Attorney General focus on those issues rather than a further leg of the greatest Witch-Hunt in political history," Trump said. "This was yet another example of weaponizing Law Enforcement against the Republican Party and, in particular, the former President of the United States.'

Racine has said the committee misused nonprofit funds and coordinated with the hotel's management and members of the Trump family to arrange the events. He said one of the event's planners raised concerns about pricing with Trump, the president's daughter Ivanka Trump and Rick Gates, a

top campaign official at the time. The committee has maintained that its finances were independently audited, and that all money was spent in accordance with the law.

# Job openings

Monthly, in millions



2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 22

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

### **BUSINESS**



A train carries blades for wind turbines through Rocky Ford, Colo., classified as an urban area after the 2010 census with a population more than 2,500 residents. BRENNAN LINSLEY/AP

# Census change turns more urban areas into rural spots

By Mike Schneider Associated Press

Hundreds of urban areas in the U.S. are becoming rural, but it's not because people are leaving.

It's just that the U.S. Census Bureau is changing the definition of an urban area. Under the new criteria, more than 1,300 small cities, towns and villages designated urban a decade ago would be considered rural.

That matters because urban and rural areas qualify for different types of federal funding. Some communities worry the change could affect health clinics in rural areas as well as transportation and education funding from federal programs.

But leaders in other communities designated to lose their urban status sav it won't make a difference.

We are rural and we feel rural, and that's how we already identify," said Randy Reeg, city administrator of Mauston, Wisconsin, a city of 4,347 residents about 75 miles northwest of Madison

Groups like the American Hospital Association say the changes, which are the biggest being made to the definitions in decades, could cause problems for people who need medical care in rural areas.

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"Going with the new definition could limit the number of rural health clinics moving forward," said Shannon Wu, senior associate director of policy at the

hospital association. For starters, the Census Bureau is switching to housing units instead of people as the basis for calculating what should be an urban area. Bureau officials say the change will make it easier to update between once-a-decade head counts of the U.S.

They also contend that it's needed because a new privacy method introduces errors into 2020 census population numbers at small geographies to protect people's identities. Housing counts stay accurate under the method.

A place had to have at least 2,500 people to be urban under old criteria that lasted more than a century. Now, it will need at least 2,000 housing units, the equivalent of about 5,000 people.

Places with 50,000 residents or more were considered "urbanized areas," compared with "urban clusters" having between 2,500 and 49,999 residents in the past. But those distinctions will be eliminated and all will be called urban areas under the new definition.

The Census Bureau says the new definition should be used for statistical purposes only.

But the bureau's urban areas form the cores of metro and micro areas, and its definitions provide the basis for how other agencies classify urban and rural areas in determining eligibility for federal funding. The bureau reviews the definitions every 10 years after a census, and the urban population has grown from about 45% of the total U.S. population in 1910 to more than 80% a decade ago.

"We've heard people say 2,500 was too low," said Michael Ratcliffe, a senior geographer with the Census

A coalition of associations representing cities, counties, planners and transportation groups had objected to many of the proposed changes last year, saying the switch from people to housing units would miss variations in development and land use patterns.

The Census Bureau tried to address those concerns by creating three levels of urban area definitions for census blocks, which are the nation's smallest geographic unit. Census blocks will be urban if they have 425 housing units per square mile, the equivalent of 1,105 people. Before the change, census blocks with at least 500 people per square mile were considered urban.

# Berlin's swimmers brave cold to ease Russian gas reliance

**By Kerstin Sopke** and Frank Jordans Associated Press

BERLIN — It's a sunny May morning as the early crowd arrives for a dip at Berlin's Prinzenbad outdoor pool, but the air is still crisp and the water isn't much warmer — one of many small impacts that Germany is feeling from the war in Ukraine.

"Berlin's pools have decided to heat the water a little bit less, to contribute to reducing the dependence on Russian gas supplies," said Martina van der Wehr, a spokeswoman for the German capital's public baths.

The regulars don't seem to mind.

Sabine Gutenmueller, a physiotherapist with an annual pool pass, said she was skeptical at first when she heard the water would be about 3 ½ degrees cooler than usual.

That took it to 68 degrees Fahrenheit, only about 9 degrees higher than the air temperature.

"The temperatures outside aren't really warm yet," Gutenmueller said. "But it wasn't as cold as I expected."

Klaus, an 84-year-old swimmer who declined to give his last name, said he was fine with the cooler water as well, considering the sky-high cost of energy these days and the looming risk that Russia might cut off supplies to countries it deems hostile — such as Germany.

"I think it's really good the temperatures are a bit lower because that way we'll save a lot," he said. "After all, we need the gas for other things."

The German government recently urged its citizens to cut back their energy use by turning down radiators. switching off the lights and working from home rather than driving to the office.



People swim Monday in the Prinzenbad outdoor pool in Berlin. The air is crisp and the water isn't much warmer, one impact that Germany is feeling from the war in Ukraine. AP

"As a rule of thumb I'd suggest: saving 10% is always possible," Robert Habeck, Germany's economy and energy minister said last month.

Aside from softening the blow of high energy prices, the appeal is also intended to help Germany wean itself off Russian oil, coal and gas.

Germany is estimated to have paid Russia more than \$9.6 billion since the war began more than two months ago.

Critics claimed these imports help finance Moscow's war against Ukraine.

The European Union is considering an embargo on Russian oil following a decision to ban Russian coal imports starting in August.

The bloc pays Russia \$850 million a day for oil and natural gas, and Germany is one of its top importers of Russian energy.

Habeck warned that consumers will likely have to bear the costs of higher energy prices passed on by companies — a factor that's already spurring record inflation — if an EU embargo on Russian oil takes place.

Habeck said Sunday that Europe's largest economy has reduced the share of Russian energy imports to 12% for oil, 8% for coal and 35% for natural gas.

Germany has managed to shift to oil and coal imports from other countries in a relatively short time, meaning that "the end of dependence on Russian crude oil imports by late summer is realistic," Habeck's ministry said.

It is unclear whether the belt-tightening calls will have any impact on govern-ment officials themselves.

None of the ministries contacted by The Associated Press were able to detail any new measures to reduce energy use in federal buildings since the start of

Still, officials pointed to the government's long-running efforts to cut back on fossil fuel as part of its plan to reduce the country's emissions of planet-warming greenhouse gas. Selma Nielsen, a 42-year-

old theater agent taking a morning dip this week at the Prinzenbad, said the pool's decision to lower the water temperature was overdue.

"I think it's a good thing, not just because of Ukraine but for the climate," she said. "As such, I think it's a step in the right direction."

# MARKET RUNDOWN

Wednesday, May 4, 2022

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Natural Gas (mm btu)	7.95	7.48	+113.24%
Unleaded Gas (gal)	3.50	3.51	+57.12%
METALS	CLOSE	PREV.	YTD
Gold (oz)	1,868.80	1,861.80	+2.26%
Silver (oz)	22.62	22.54	-3.03%
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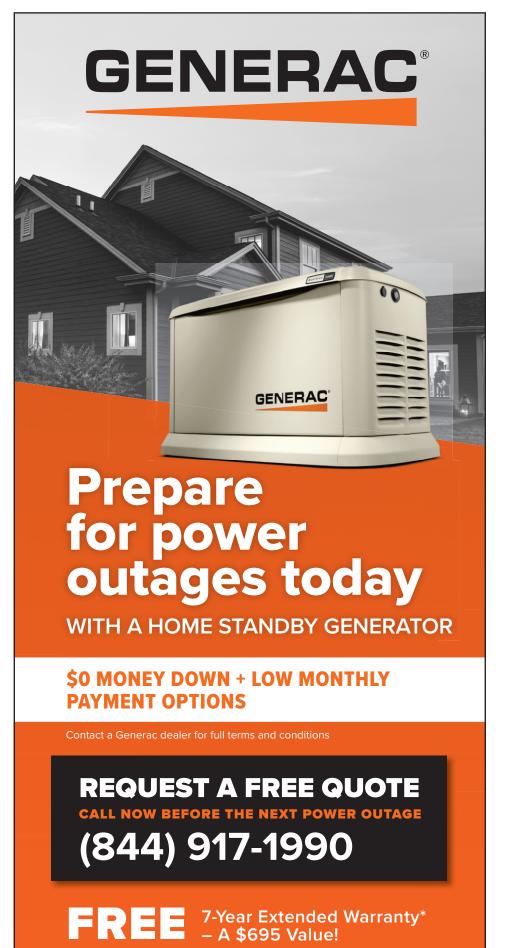
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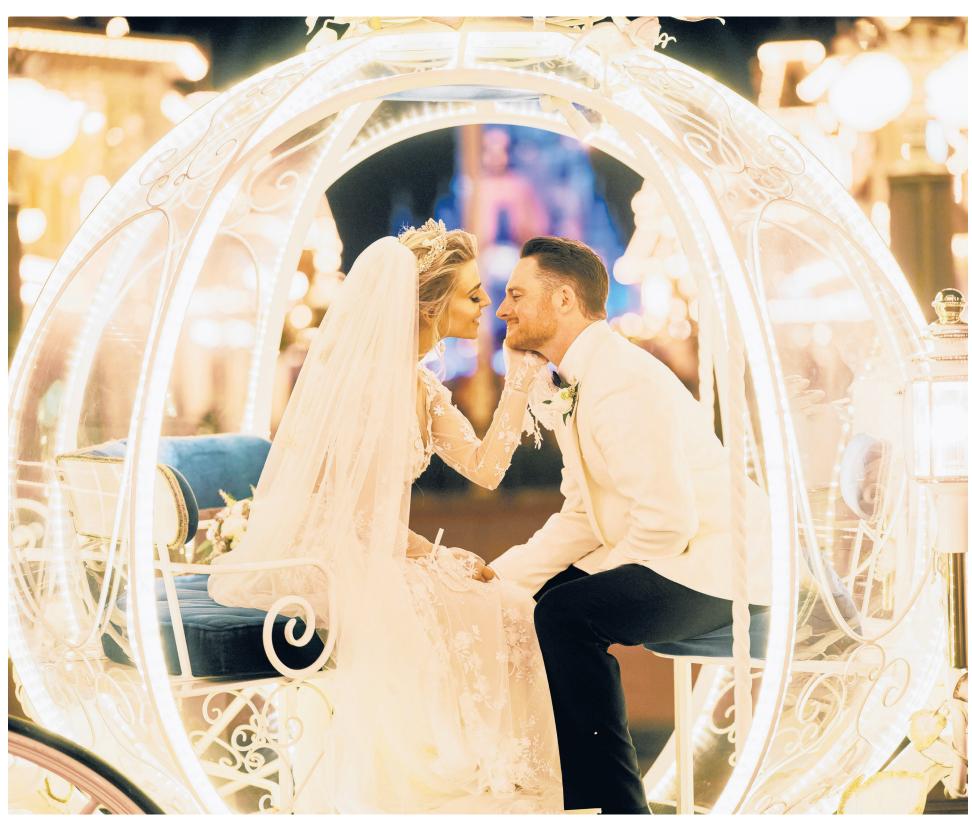
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Lincoln Natl Corp (LNC)	62.41	+1.29	-8.6	World Wrestling Ent (WWE)	60.17	+.36	+21.9
M&T Bank (MTB)	170.23	+2.00	+10.8	XPO Logistics Inc (XPO)	55.41	+.64	-28.4
MGM Resorts Intl (MGM)	40.85	-1.12	-9.0	Xerox Holdings Corp (XRX)	17.71	+.24	-21.8
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Marissa Branch and Shelby Blackstock inside Cinderella's coach after their wedding Feb. 12 at Walt Disney World. ZACK WITTMAN/THE NEW YORK TIMES

# A 'most magical' wedding

# Fairy-tale ceremony complete with family, a castle and ride in an illuminated horse-drawn carriage

**By Stephanie Cain** The New York Times

When Marissa Branch was 6, she made her first trip to Walt Disney World with her parents and grandparents. It didn't go well. Everything about the amusement park, from its gargantuan scale to the characters, "absolutely terrified" her, she said.

It would take Branch, 29, nearly two decades to return. That next trip – this time with her boyfriend, Shelby Blackstock — was the opposite of her nightmarish childhood experience. Instead, it would further a romance with all the elements of a fairy tale.

Branch and Blackstock, 32, met on Tinder in 2014. But once they started exchanging messages on the dating app, they realized they already knew of each other through the IndyCar racing circuit. At the time, Branch worked as a promotional model for Cooper Tire; Blackstock was a race car driver.

They quickly struck up a friendship, hanging out with mutual racing friends and chatting with one another over text and Face-Time. Though they clicked right away, "neither of us thought it was a good idea to date," Branch said.

For one thing, the two lived in the different states. Branch resided in Indianapolis, where she worked as an operating room assistant at Indiana University Health Methodist Hospital and did modeling work on the side as she tried to figure out her career path. She was also navigating a challenging family situa-

Blackstock lived on the shores of Lake Norman in Cornelius, North Carolina, and spent his time competing in up to 25 races each season. He was busy training, traveling, managing sponsorships and, as Branch put it, "living the playboy lifestyle." But he always fit in FaceTime calls with her, which allowed them to grow closer.

tion: her parents' divorce.

During this time, Blackstock said Branch was "his anchor." She said he was

her "backbone of support." "I could ask him deep, dark questions and secrets," Branch added. "He would give me the brutal truth, but that's exactly what a person wants to hear. I respected him for that."

In the spring of 2016, during a particularly rough week for Branch, she called Blackstock after finishing an upsetting hospital shift. On a whim, he invited her to Lake Norman for the weekend. Branch was

caught off guard. Did she want to drive the eight to nine hours to North Caro-

Ultimately, she did. "I thought about it and just leaned in," Branch said.

They spent the weekend on a pontoon boat with some of Blackstock's closest friends. The trip was just the "therapy" that Branch said she needed. It was also when she realized that Blackstock was the

"We're sitting there, in the pitch black on this lake, and a shooting star goes by," she said. "That's got to be a sign."

"When I went home," she added, "I knew that I wanted to be with Shelby."

But first, she wanted to make some changes. Upon returning to Indianapolis, she left her job at the hospital and enrolled at the city's branch of Aveda Fredric's Institute, where she later received an aesthetician license. When she finished the program, it was time for her next big change: moving to North Carolina to begin life as a couple. Together they moved into a new home in Charlotte. where the two fell into the swing of daily life.

"We've actually grown together into the people we need to be in order to be together," Blackstock said.

tionship, and it's made us so strong now."

Their early days as a pair included many nights playing Xbox and that serendipitous trip to Disney World in June 2016. It was Blackstock's idea.

"I grew up watching everything Disney and going to all the parks," he said. "I know it's a kid's playground, but we're big grown-up kids." It went so well, he added, that "we decided to go back every year."

Not long after, the couple shifted gears. Blackstock decided to spend less time racing cars so he could focus on real estate and investment projects. He and Branch also moved to Nashville, Tennessee, where they currently live, and where she now works at a cosmetic surgery private practice. They relocated to be closer to Blackstock's family: the city is home to his mother, Reba McEntire, a country music superstar, and his father, Narvel Blackstock, a television producer, who are divorced.

As they continued to date, Branch became more and more excited each time a Disney World trip would pop on the calendar. Would this be the time when Blackstock proposed?

annual bouts of anticipation became a running joke among her girlfriends. So by the time the couple visited Epcot for New Year's Eve in 2020, she didn't expect that he would actually pop the question. Blackstock, to his credit, did advise her to wear white and book a manicure, though she blew

off his request. Just before

the evening fireworks, he

Over the years, these

insisted on a photograph by the lagoon. Then he pulled out a ring. When it came time to pick a wedding venue, the Magic Kingdom theme park in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, was the obvious choice. On Feb. 12, the couple were married at the theme park in front of a brightly lit Cinderella Castle. Tom Ellis, their friend and Blackstock's best

The most important aspect of the wedding, they said, was to bring together their families. Branch's parents and brother attended, and it was the first time Blackstock's parents and three siblings were together in more than five years.

man, who was ordained

a Universal Life Church

officiated.

minister for the occasion,

"It brought the entire family together," Black-

stock said. "It shows you that no matter what you're dealing with, you go to the happiest place on earth and anyone can mesh. That was a perfect wedding day."

Another priority was for the event to feel like a wedding, not just a day at the theme park. Or a night at the theme park — to wed privately without general visitors meant their ceremony would take place at 11:45 p.m., after the Magic Kingdom closed to the public for the day.

The evening kicked off with cocktails and dinner at nearby Epcot, where their 114 guests, some of whom were vaccinated, watched the evening fire-

Having a reception first meant that attendees were in very good moods by the time of the ceremony at the Magic Kingdom, where they arrived to find a flower-filled aisle on Main Street just in front of the famous castle. It wowed even the groom, who described the setup as "the

most magical." Even more surreal, he said, was marrying his best

In true fairy-tale fashion, the night would not end before the newlyweds took a ride in an illuminated horse-drawn carriage.

# **EX-ETIQUETTE**

# Let stepkids' mother know how you feel about combined brunch

**By Jann Blackstone** Tribune News Service

Q: My husband has two children, ages 6 and 8. They live with us every few days. The back and forth is crazy, but they are young, and I know it's probably not a good idea for them to be away from either parent for very long. The kids usually stay with their mother (for certain celebrations), but this year she asked if we would like

to join her and her husband for a holiday brunch. I am a little uncomfortable with it, but I'm afraid I'll insult her if I say no. Plus, she's already mentioned something to the kids, and they are excited that we are all going out together. What's good ex-etiquette? A: We have a few things

to discuss here. First, that your bonus kids' mother has offered to share a holiday with you is a huge step. It means she sees you as

part of the village - as in, "it takes a village" to raise kids these days, and that is a huge compliment. If mom is reaching out, you have done something right.

Congratulations. However, it sounds like her gesture may be moving too fast for you. If that's true, take a look at it. The last thing you want the kids to see is how uncomfortable you are.

Second, that she didn't wait for a reply to her invi-

tation and just assumed you would want to go. Privately and tactfully, let her know how you feel. If this was the little shove you needed to initiate this sort of get-together, embrace it, but tactfully let mom know your boundaries. Communicate whatever feels right and be open to change as your families learn to trust each

other. Third, in a perfect world, we all know it's best that the parent figures get on

the same page and then present whatever it is to the kids as a united front. However, you don't really know how the information was passed, so let's give her the benefit of the doubt. She could have been having a quiet conversation with her husband about the idea and the kids overheard. I can't tell you how many times that has happened to me. Let that register. Parents control the flow of information, not the kids.



Communicate what feels right and be open to change as your families learn to trust each other. DREAMSTIME



Michael Feinstein, from left, Midori and Itzhak Perlman are slated for the benefit. AP PHOTOS

# Headliners set for Carnegie benefit

From news services

Singer Michael Feinstein, violinists Itzhak Perlman and Midori, and pianist Evgeny Kissin will perform at a Carnegie Hall benefit concert for Ukraine on May 23.

Soprano Angel Blue, mezzo-sopranos Denyce Graves and Isabel Leonard, jazz vocalist Cecile McLorin Salvant, singers Jessica Vosk and Adrienne Warren, and mandolinist Chris Thile also will perform along with Carnegie Hall's Ensemble Connect and the Ukrainian Chorus Dumka of New York, the Hall announced Tuesday.

Proceeds will go to Direct Relief, a humanitarian aid organization that is working with Ukraine's Ministry of Health and partners in the region to provide medical supplies to relief groups.

Kardashians win in Chyna suit: A jury on Monday gave a sweeping win to the Kardashian family in former reality TV star Blac Chyna's lawsuit against them. The Los Angeles jury found that none of the members defamed Chyna, nor did any interfere with her contract by convincing the E! network to cancel her reality show "Rob & Chyna."

The four Kardashian

defendants - Kim Kardashian, Kris Jenner, Khloe Kardashian and Kylie Jenner – attended nearly the entire trial, but when the verdict was read all were in New York at the Met Gala.

Chyna was in court for the verdict. She had no visible reaction.

After about 10 hours of deliberations, the jurors decided on the long jury form that the Kardashians often acted in bad faith, finding that they were not justified in telling the executives and producers of "Rob & Chyna" that Chyna abused their son and brother Rob Kardashian. But they found that it had no substantial effect on Chyna's contract or the fate of the show, and she was awarded no damages.

Executives from the E! network, which aired the show, testified that "Rob & Chyna" ended because the relationship ended, not because of the defendants' actions.

Chyna's attorney Lynne Ciani said that, based on her reading of the verdict, "We will appeal."

Separate allegations in the lawsuit against Rob Kardashian were split into a separate trial that will likely begin in about a

Report says Naomi Judd died by suicide: Naomi

Judd, who was public about her struggles with acute anxiety and depression, died by suicide, sources told People magazine on Monday.

Her daughters Ashley and Wynonna Judd had obliquely alluded to that possibility when they announced her death at age 76 on Saturday. "We lost our beautiful mother to the disease of mental illness," the sisters said in a statement.

The late singer's representative had not commented, People reported, but the family had been tight-lipped after the emotional but brief announcement of her death.

"Naomi Judd's family request privacy during this heartbreaking time," read a follow-up statement from Larry Strickland, Naomi Judd's husband of 32 years. "No additional information will be released at this time."

May 4 birthdays: Bassist Ron Carter is 85. Actor Richard Jenkins is 75. Singer Stella Parton is 73. Singer Jackie Jackson is 71. Singer Oleta Adams is 69. Singer Randy Travis is 63. Comedian Ana Gasteyer is 55. Actor Will Arnett is 52. TV personality Erin Andrews is 44. Singer Lance Bass is 43. Singer RaeLynn is 28.



# **ASK AMY**

**By Amy Dickinson** 

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# Season for this friendship may have passed

**Dear Amy:** "Allie" and I became friends when our children were young. We celebrated holidays, vacationed together and shared in our joys and troubles.

Allie is ambitious. friendly and very extroverted, while I am quiet and introverted. It's natural that she has a larger circle of friends, most of whom I have also known for years. She's likable and good at her work, but very status conscious.

I have been a supportive, discreet friend. When she went through some painful years of family estrange ment, mine was her surrogate family for holidays. When she needed babysitting help, I kept her kids.

For several years, we invited (and paid for) her family to join us on vacation. She was happy to join, but played on her phone and constantly texted friends at home, making plans for when she returned.

Amy, I have been left out of friend trips, parties and other events (where I knew everyone attending); I listened later while she related how much fun they'd had.

I felt hurt and upset plenty of times, but I never realized how one-sided this friendship seemed until recently.

I think I'm ready to move on, but why am I harboring such animosity? -A Friend

Dear Friend: As I write this, I just came inside from picking some daffodils during a late-season snow storm.

It occurs to me that there are some things and some people — worth freezing for. And friendships have their reasons and their seasons.

Childhood friends fade from view. College besties scatter. Professional buddies vow to stay in touch after a job change, but don't.

Friendships formed between parents when their kids are young are especially intense, but vulnerable, because these relationships are forged during the crazy days of playdates and sleepovers and emergency babysitting

But after the kids grow up and out, you recognize that your parenting brought you together, but your kids were the glue.

You feel animosity toward "Allie" because in retrospect you realize that she has not been a good friend to you.

You fulfilled some of her social and physical needs; she occasionally reciprocated. That's what friends do, but that's not what friends are.

True friends are daffodils in the snow, and they are well worth freezing for.

Now that the season for this friendship has passed, you should move on.

Dear Amy: I have a good relationship with extended family and don't want to jeopardize it. "Brian" is 15 years old. He is smart, good-looking and very athletic.

The problem is that he picks his nose and chews with his mouth open.

I would like to take him aside and say something, but I'm hesitant. I could mention this to his mother, but surely she has noticed. Saying something to his older sister might be best.

When we meet on

Zoom, it's hard to watch Brian's gross habits. I am worried that it affects how his peers and others feel about him. Your advice? Up the Nose

Dear Up the Nose:  $\operatorname{If}$ you see "Brian" picking his nose, you can wordlessly hand him a napkin or tissue. Just reach over and hand it to him, saying, "Here you go."

You can even do this via Zoom. On camera, you can say, "Hey, somebody hand this to Brian." And you hoist a tissue toward the camera, hoping that someone will take the cue and hand him a tissue on the other end.

I would not take these issues to others. He's 15. If you can't deal with him lightheartedly and directly, then you should let it go for now.

Dear Amy: "Torn," who is expecting her first child, says she is estranged from her mentally and physically abusive mother, but then asks you what she "owes" her mother.

Why do people who were abused and neglected growing up feel they owe their parents anything? - Don't Understand

Dear Don't: Adult survivors feel this way because they are confused and sometimes wracked with guilt over their parents' behavior. They don't know what "script" to follow, because they've been denied emotional and physical nurturing.

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# 'Jeopardy' champ Roach ushers in a new generation of all-stars

By Lynn Elber Associated Press

Reigning "Jeopardy!" champion Mattea Roach represents a new generation of the quiz show's all-star players.

As of Monday, the Canadian had won 20 games and amassed \$476,985 in prize money, putting her among the top 10 contestants for both consecutive victories and regular-season winnings in "Jeopardy!" history.

Roach is in the company of veteran standout players including Ken Jennings, who's currently hosting the show, and this season's champs Amy Schneider and Matt Amodio.

"The fact that I'm now one of the best players of all time hasn't fully sunk in yet. It doesn't really feel real," said Roach, 23, the first Gen Zer to be dubbed a "super champion" by the show for achieving a double-digit string of wins. (Generation Z generally refers to those born between 1997 and 2012.)

A tutor for aspiring law school students, and perhaps one herself, she plays with a breezy confidence. Roach is relaxed enough to casually think out loud about her approach, as she did when she hit a crucial Double Jeopardy recently.

You know what, if I wager a lot and lose today, like whatever, I had such a good run," Roach mused, then successfully wagered a hefty \$8,000 and ended up taking the game from formidable challenger Ben Hsia of Fremont, California.

The category was anatomy, the clue was "To gently tease another person," and Roach's slightly exasperated response: "I should have wagered more. What is

Besides conservative



Mattea Roach, 23, is the first Gen Z"Jeopardy!" super champion. TYLER GOLDEN/SONY PICTURES TELEVISION

bets, her play has been distinguished by the broad range of knowledge and buzzer command that "Jeopardy!" champs have. Athletic skill doesn't contribute to the latter, said Roach, who admits that sports isn't a favored category.

Among her trademarks are an engaging smile and demure wave to the camera at the start of a game; tattoos including Talking Heads song lyrics, and attire that's on the serious side but with a touch of personal flair.

As for her on-camera wardrobe, it's all clothes she already owned — "I hate shopping," she said and which she figured would send the right message.

"I wanted to be comfortable, I wanted to look professional, and I wanted to express my personality, and I think I accomplished that," she said.

A native of Halifax, Nova Scotia, who lives in Toronto, Roach credits her love of learning to her mother, Patti MacKinnon, an auditor, and her father. Phil Roach, who works in human resources. Mattea Roach began reading at age 3, skipped a grade in elementary school and enrolled at the University of Toronto at age 16.

After mom and dad

helped pay for the first two

herself through the rest. "I have three younger siblings at home, and even with (my parents) both working there's only so much money to go around," she said. "I figured I can work, so why would I not be?"

years of college, Roach put

She majored in sexual diversity studies and earned minors in political science and women and gender studies.

She was applying to law school when "Jeopardy!" summoned her to be a contestant. Her success and that of Amodio (38 wins, \$1.52 million) and Schneider (40 wins, \$1.38 million) has made the show's 2021-22 season a memorable one.

Roach mentioned on air that she would be able to pay off her student loans after her first win. What is she planning to do as the sum has grown?

"I'm so boring. I don't want to splurge on anything," she said.

Roach intends to invest the windfall for her future, although some of it will go toward realizing travel plans derailed by the pandemic. Another possible indulgence occurred to her.

"I hopefully will not be afraid of buying concert tickets anymore," she said.

# **HOROSCOPES**

Aries (March 21-April 19): Pursuing money might be exciting, but talking about it isn't worth the trouble. Trying to justify your plan may be a distraction. Worse, an audience that eggs you on could skew your ability to assess things. Acting on your ideas will be the message.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): A community can provide direction. While you may be grateful for this group, you might need to be realistic about balancing what they ask of you against your needs. Even if these friends appeal to your spirituality, that should not interfere with your ability to take care of yourself.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Professional success may be revolutionary at this time. The work of bringing the world into alignment with your vision could have some surprises. You don't have to feel down on vourself if you see things differently from your new position. Just accept that change is a two-way street!

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Following your friends on an adventure may be particularly exciting now. Things could be moving faster than you are able to make sense of them, so you might not be ready to share your thoughts about the experience yet. You're gathering information, so it's OK to just take it all in.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Something that motivates vou can give vour career a boost right now. However, you may not want to be too candid. Something important but hard to articulate could get lost in translation, stirring up some awkwardness. Just go full speed ahead toward being

the change you want to see

in the world.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Someone might be goading you today. This person may be claiming authority that you don't think they deserve. However, hearing them out could be worthwhile. Even if you're skeptical, perhaps the most efficient way to determine what's right is to test their claim in real time.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Working hard can bring financial rewards, but make sure you're also working smart. Looking at whether your taxes and insurance are set up in the best way could help you increase your yield with the same effort. You may be able to get more than you currently have.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Taking an impulsive risk to impress others could be tempting today. People are more interested in the real you, even if you're confused regarding your identity at the moment. Courage is sharing the complexity of your experience - and that vulnerability is likely to be rewarded!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Someone at home could be driving you crazy

right now. Try to find and solve the underlying problem, which likely has to do with unclear boundaries. Clarifying expectations can help you work together to build a new routine. They may be liberated by the change, so don't repress your needs.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Mental and emotional stimulation can be found today. You may be worried about your responsibilities, and unclear direction regarding your tasks. You could find guidance by chatting with the people around you. Once out of your rut, the answer will be found within you.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. **18):** You're drawn to make money now. However, updating your idea of security is a necessary first step. Feeling like you don't have enough may be pushing you toward recklessness, but a fresh look at your needs could encourage you to meet them with the resources you have.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Pushing past your inhibitions may be easier than usual. Letting out whatever is on your mind could relieve stress. However, you might want to say something that could have more lasting importance. Getting grounded can help you identify your priorities and how to present them.

# TODAY IN **HISTORY**

Associated Press

**On May 4, 1776,** Rhode Island declared its freedom from England.

**In 1886,** at Haymarket Square in Chicago, a labor demonstration for an 8-hour workday turned

into a deadly riot when a bomb exploded.

In 1904, the United States took over construction of the Panama Canal.

**In 1961,** the first group of "Freedom Riders" left Washington, D.C., to challenge racial segregation on interstate buses.

In 1970, Ohio National Guardsmen opened fire during an anti-war protest at Kent State University, killing four students and wounding nine others.

wife of actor Robert Blake, was shot to death as she sat in a car in Los Angeles.

In 2001, Bonny Lee Bakley,

In 2020, New York state reported more than 1,700 previously undisclosed coronavirus deaths at nursing homes.

# **BONUS PUZZLE PAGE**

An extra array of word games, search and Jumble. Want more? Play online at **PlayJumble.com** 



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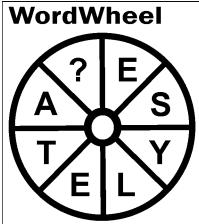
### **BOGGLE**



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Find AT LEAST FIVE WORDS RELATED TO WEATHER in the grid of letters.

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Insert the missing letter to complete an eight-letter word reading clockwise or counterclockwise SEDATELY

### **WORD SEARCH**

Wordsearch: tailor-made Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, or diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them. H F S R E V E R S E C N W O L S J Y

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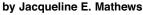
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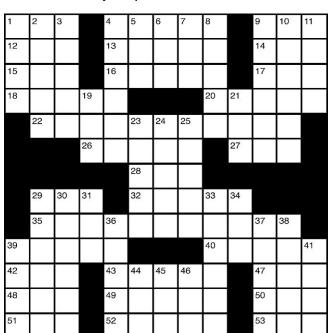
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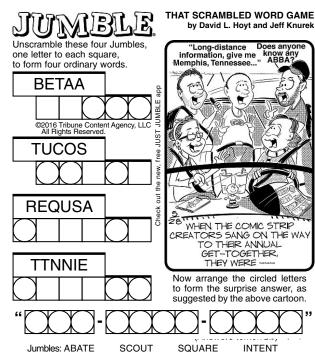
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# **JUMBLE**



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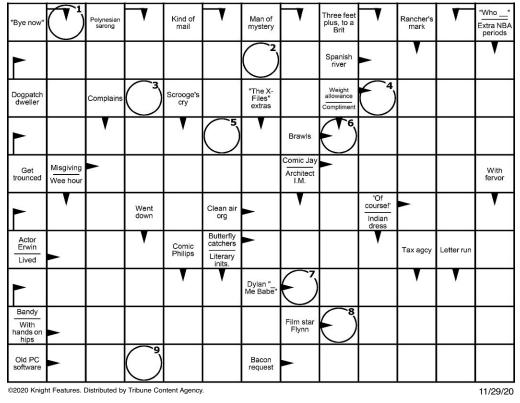
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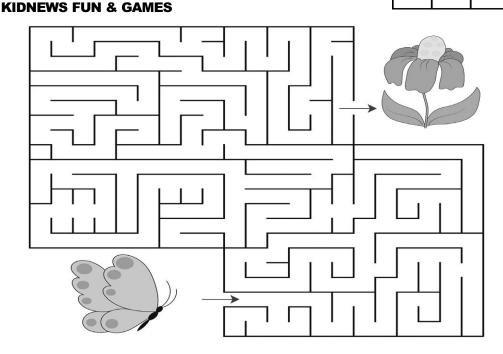
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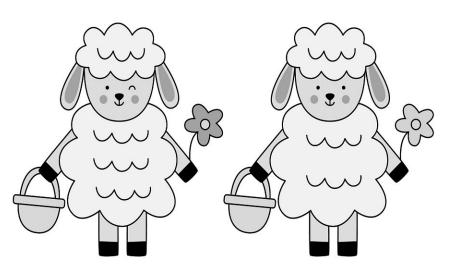
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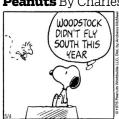


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**Shoe** By Gary Brookins & Susie MacNelly



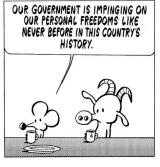


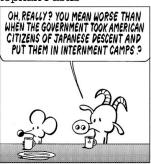
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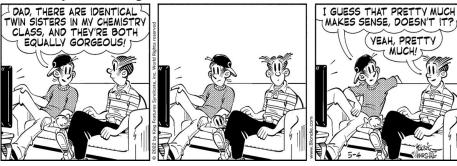








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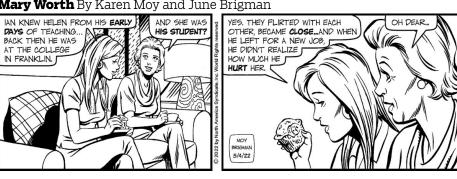




Gil Thorp By Neal Rubin and Frank McLaughlin



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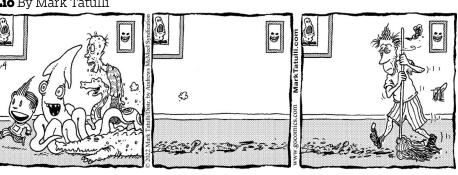




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Wizard Of Id By Johnny Hart and Brant Parker



Rhymes With Orange By Hilary Price



**Monty** By Jim Meddick



### For Better Or For Worse By Lynn Johnston









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**B.C.** By Hart



Beetle Bailey by Mort, Greg & Brian Walker



Hi & Lois By Greg and Brian Walker and Chance Browne





Hagar The Horrible By Chris Browne







Non Sequitur By Wiley Miller



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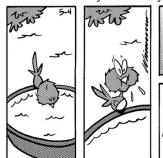


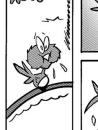


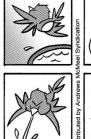


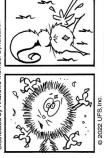


Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady and Don Wimmer











**Mother Goose And Grimm** By Mike Peters





### CROSSWORD

### EDITED BY RICH NORRIS AND JOYCE NICHOLS LEWIS

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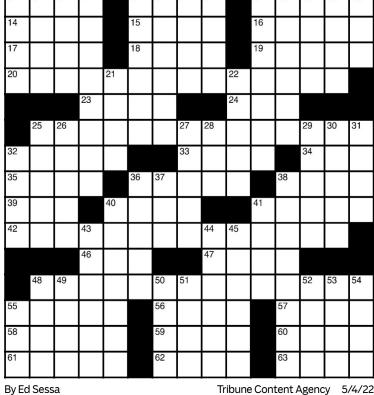
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# **BRIDGE**

BY STEVE BECKER

South dealer. North-South vulnerable. **NORTH ♦**854 **♥**Q983 ♦ **K** 7 6 **♣**A Q 5 WEST **EAST ♠**A K Q 10 9 2 **♦** J 6 **♥** 5 2 **♥**76 ♦9432 **♦** 10 8 5 **♣**J 10 9 6 2 **♣**K 7 **SOUTH ◆** 7 3 ♥A K J 10 4 ♦ A Q J **♣**843 South West North East 3 ♥

### Opening lead — jack of spades. Accidentally on purpose

To play hands well consistently is undoubtedly the mark of a good player, but it is not as difficult as it might seem. On most deals, meaningful clues can be gleaned from the bidding and play, enabling declarer, in effect, to see through the backs of the cards.

For example, South can reach a position in this deal where he knows that making four hearts — a doubtful proposition at the outset — is a certainty. Let's say that East overtakes West's jack-of-spades lead with the gueen and continues with the A-K. Declarer ruffs high, draws trump and cashes the ace of clubs followed by the A-K-Q of diamonds.

South next leads a club toward dummy's Q-5 and plays the queen, losing to East's king.

However, since East has only spades left and is forced to lead one, South is able to discard his club loser as he ruffs in dummy to make the contract.

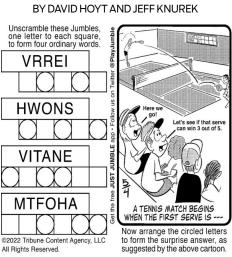
The ruff-and-discard that East is forced to yield at the tail end of the play might seem to be an accidental development, but it is not. At the point where the queen of clubs is played, South knows perfectly well that the contract is a sure thing regardless of which opponent actually has the king!

The play to this point has revealed that East started with six spades, two hearts and at least three diamonds: therefore. East cannot hold more than two clubs. Whether East's doubleton club (assuming he has two) is specifically the K-x or two small cards is of no real import. If West has the king, the queen will score a trick, while if East has the king, he will have to yield a ruff-and-discard.

By playing in the recommended fashion, South can assure the contract. But if he relies strictly on a straight club finesse, he loses two club tricks and goes down one.

**Tomorrow:** When to cover an honor.

# **JUMBLE**



Jumbles: EXCEL PONCHO CEASE Yesterday's Her joke about her husband's high credit card balance was - AT HIS EXPENSE

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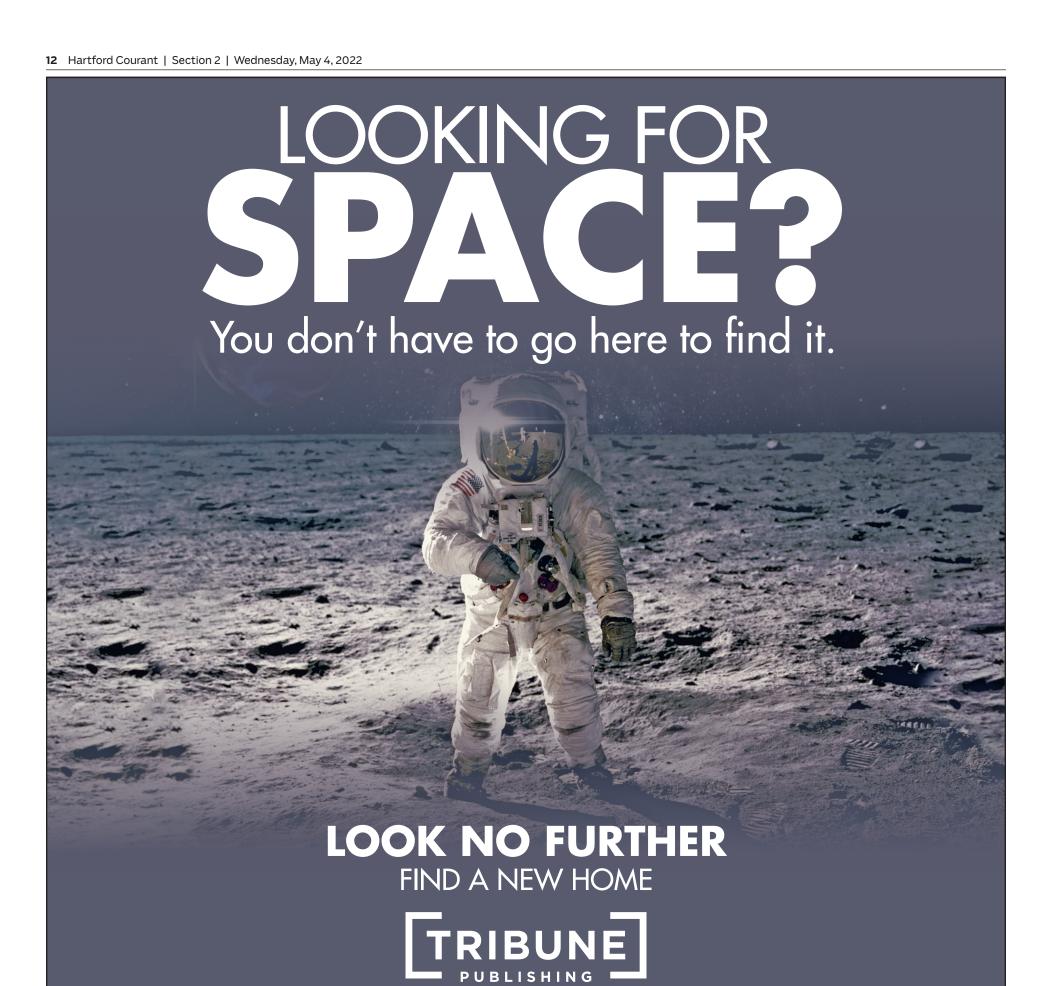


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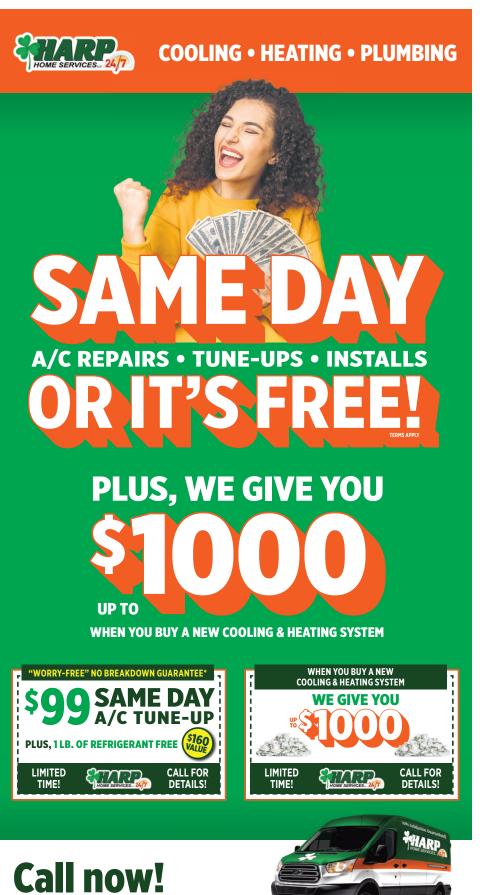
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**RED SOX 4, ANGELS 0** 

# Wacha dominant again as Sox blank Angels

**By Steve Hewitt** Boston Herald

BOSTON - Among the surprises of the first month of the Red Sox season, the absence of their offense ranks at the top.

But the emergence of Michael Wacha as one of their best starters isn't far behind.

Wacha continued a dazzling start to his Boston career with another strong effort, tossing 5 3/3 shutout innings to lead the Red Sox to a 4-0 victory over the Angels on a cold and dreary Tuesday night at Fenway Park.

The reeling Red Sox haven't had many reasons for optimism after losing their last four series and coming off a dismal road trip that included several painful losses. But the dominance of their starting rotation is one — and Wacha has certainly surpassed expectations so far.

Signed to a small deal before the lockout, the Red Sox were hoping the veteran could rediscover the potential he showed when he was one of the more intriguing arms in the game earlier in his career. They couldn't be happier with the results so far. Through five starts, Wacha has a 1.38 ERA — the fifthbest mark in baseball and third in

Turn to Sox, Page 2



Red Sox starting pitcher Michael Wacha throws during the first inning against the Angels at Fenway Park on Tuesday in Boston. MARY SCHWALM/AP

### **YANKEES**

# Impressive performances could be sign of more success in May

**By Kristie Ackert** 

New York Daily News

TORONTO – The Yankees may have started slow, but they couldn't have ended the month of April better. They finished the first calendar month of the season with the best record in baseball, their pitching on point and their offense rolling.

And very early in May it looks like they could be getting even stronger. Monday night's 3-2 win over the Blue Jays showed good

"Obviously a big night for Gleyber (Torres), the homer and the clutch hit with two outs," manager Aaron Boone said summing up the big divisional win. "Big steal off the bench for (Tim) Locastro. The pitching did their thing to limit them enough. The defense once again was there. That's a good win against a really good team."

The Yankees extended their major league-leading win streak to 10 straight games behind a strong night from Torres and their pitchers. Both were good signs for the Yankees going forward, because it showed that it's not just the big boys in the lineup, like Aaron Judge, Giancarlo Stanton and Anthony Rizzo, or in the bullpen, like Michael King and Aroldis Chapman, that can win games.

Turn to Yankees, Page 2

**NBA PLAYOFFS** CELTICS 109, BUCKS 86

### **GOLF** TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP

We fist-bumped a couple of times, him making a 6-footer, me making a 6-footer, him making an 8-footer, me making an 8-footer. We just went back and forth and that's what made it a lot of fun. We both brought a lot of intensity to it."

- Harris English, on 2021 Travelers Championship playoff with Kramer Hickok



Kramer Hickok, left, congratulates Harris English after English won their epic 8-hole playoff at the 2021 Travelers Championship. JOHN MINCHILLO/AP

# RELIVING AN EPIC

Vivid memories of the Travelers' longest day helps fuel Harris English's fire to recover, return and defend his title



**Dom Amore** 

 ${\tt CROMWELL-Harris\,English\,is}$ working his way back from the hip surgery he had put off for years. If all goes well, he'll be walking more this week, back on the PGA Tour by mid-June and rounding into form when he returns to the TPC River Highlands for the 2022 Travelers Championship June 23-26.

If he needs motivation to

complete the grueling rehab work all he has to do is close his eyes and remember the sounds and the feel of excitement as dusk descended on the course last June 27, the latest sunset of the year.

"It brings back a lot of great memories," English said during the Travelers Championship media day on Tuesday. "Coming up 18 a number of times, the adrenaline and seeing how much fun people were having as we were keeping the playoff going. The crowd cheering, doing a lot of chants. It was fun to be a part of."

The chants were not necessarily for English. He was locked in a playoff duel with Kramer Hickok, the crowd favorite. So English was the heavy, going up against the kid looking for his first tour win.

In the field

Top players committed

Champions June 23-26

at TPC River Highlands:

1. Scottie Scheffler

4. Patrick Cantlay

8. Justin Thomas

10. Dustin Johnson

17. Brooks Koepka

20. Abraham Ancer

24. Harris English

66. Bubba Watson

12. Xander Schauffele

16. Joaquin Niemann

7. Rory McIlroy

to the 2022 Travelers

It didn't happen that day for Hickok, but what did happen was unforgettable. The two went headto-head for eight holes, tied for the second-longest playoff in PGA Tour

"When you're in that situation, you never want to see the guy you're playing fail and give it to you," English said. "You want the best out of him and hopefully that brings the best out of you.

Turn to Amore, Page 4

# **Brown** scores 30 as Boston flips script on Bucks

**Associated Press** 

BOSTON — Jaylen Brown scored 25 of his 30 points in the first half, and the Boston Celtics beat the Milwaukee Bucks 109-86 on Tuesday night to even their second-round play-

off at one game apiece.

Brown shook off a dismal shooting night in Game 1, going 9 for 10 in the first half, including 5 for 5 from the 3-point line. Jayson Tatum added 19 points and eight assists. Al Horford had 14 points and 11 rebounds.

The series doesn't resume until Game 3 on Saturday in Milwaukee.

Boston finished 20 of 43 from beyond the arc. The Celtics played without point guard Marcus Smart after he was ruled out before the game with a bruised right thigh he sustained in Game 1. Derrick White took his place in the starting lineup, making his first start in a playoff game since 2019 when he was with San Antonio.

The Celtics clamped down on Giannis Antetokounmpo after his triple-double in the series opener, limiting him to 28 points — mostly in the third quarter — nine rebounds and seven assists. Jrue Holiday added 19 points and seven assists. Bobby Portis chipped in 13 points and eight rebounds.

The Bucks cut into what had been a 26-point Celtics lead in the third quarter. Antetokounmpo keyed the charge with 18 points in the period. A 10-0 Milwaukee run, aided by a more than five-minute Celtics scoring drought, trimmed Boston's lead to 72-56 late in the third quarter.

But Boston outscored the Bucks 11-10 the rest of the period to take an 83-66 advantage into the fourth.

Milwaukee kept nibbling away and got it down it to 94-82 on a pair of free throws by Antetokounmpo, followed by a 3 by

The lead was back up to 101-86 when Antetokounmpo was stripped underneath the basket, leading to another 3 from Tatum.

Holiday missed a 3 on the other end and Grant Williams dropped his own on the ensuing fast break to make it 107-86

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# **HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE**

# Wethersfield doubles up on E.O. Smith

By Shreyas Laddha Hartford Courant

STORRS — The Wethersfield High boys lacrosse team came in ready to play a tough, physical game against rival E.O Smith Tuesday.

That's just what they got. In a chippy but competitive game, Matthew Ruck led the way with eight goals and Wethersfield walked away with a 16-8 victory over the Panthers.

The Eagles improve to 6-2, while E.O Smith falls to 7-2.

The Panthers got on the board early with two goals, but the Eagles quickly answered with four straight to take the lead. At the end of the first quarter Wethersfield led 5-3. Slowly, the Eagles' offense started to wear down the Panthers' defense with their physical play and Wethersfield went into the half with a 9-5 lead.

In the second half, the Panthers scored three goals to make it 9-8. Like much of the game, every time E.O. Smith would get within striking distance Wethersfield would go on a run of unanswered goals. This time it scored seven straight to put the game

Eagles coach Bruce Cutkomp was happy to come away with the win. "It was a great win, happy to be up here, happy to travel," he said. "We

haven't played many away games this year, so it's always nice to go on the road and get a big W."

Still, Cutkomp felt his team wasn't focused as they should have been.

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E.O. Smith defender Arrington Scigliano, left, closes in on Wethersfield's Michael Hughes during a high school lacrosse match. SHREYAS LADDA/HARTFORD COURANT

### **UP NEXT**

Celtics: NBA Second Round at Bucks (Game 3), Saturday, 3:30 p.m.; NBA Second Round at Bucks (Game 4), Monday, 7:30 p.m.; NBA Second Round vs. Bucks (Game 5, if necessary), May 11, time

Bruins: NHL First Round at Hurricanes (Game 2), Wednesday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round vs. Hurricanes (Game 3), Friday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round vs. Hurricanes (Game 4) Sunday, 12:30 p.m.

Rangers: NHL First Round vs. Penguins (Game 2), Thursday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round at Penguins (Game 3), Saturday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round at Penguins (Game 4), Monday, 7 p.m.

Red Sox: Angels, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Angels, Thursday, 1:30 p.m.; White Sox, Friday, 7 p.m. Yankees: at Blue Javs. Wednesday, 7 p.m.;

Rangers, Saturday, 1 p.m. Mets: Atlanta, Wednesday, 1 p.m.; at Phillies. Thursday. 6:45 p.m.; at Phillies,

Rangers, Friday, 7 p.m.;

Friday, 7 p.m. Yard Goats: Binghamton. Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Binghamton, Thursday, 7 p.m.; Binghamton, Friday, 7 p.m.

**Hartford Athletic:** Loudoun United. Saturday, 7 p.m.; N.Y. Red Bulls II, May 14, 7 p.m.; at Tulsa, May 21, 8:30 p.m.

### TV/RADIO **BASEBALL**

12 p.m.: Worcester Red Sox at Toledo Mud Hens. (Live) NESN 1 p.m.: Regional Coverage. (Live) MLB 1 p.m.: Atlanta Braves at New York Mets. (Live), SNY. Radio: 880 4 p.m.: Siena at Boston

College. (Live) ACC 7 p.m.: Los Angeles Angels at Boston Red Sox. (Live), NESN. Radio: 1080 7 p.m.: New York Yankees at Toronto Blue Jays. (Live), YES. Radio: 97.9 7 p.m.: North Carolina A&T

7 p.m.: Regional Coverage. (Live) MLB 11 p.m.: Regional Coverage. (Live) MLB

at South Carolina. (Live)

**BASKETBALL** 7:30 p.m.: Philadelphia 76ers at Miami Heat. (Live)

TNT 10 p.m.: Dallas Mavericks

at Phoenix Suns. (Live)

HOCKEY **7 p.m.:** Boston Bruins at

Carolina Hurricanes. (Live) **ESPN NESN** 

**7:30 p.m.:** Tampa Bay Lightning at Toronto Maple Leafs. (Live) SPRTNET 9:30 p.m.: St. Louis Blues

at Minnesota Wild. (Live) 10 p.m.: Los Angeles Kings

at Edmonton Oilers. (Live) 10:15 p.m.: Los Angeles

Kings at Edmonton Oilers. (Live) SPRTNET 2 a.m.: St. Louis Blues at

Minnesota Wild. (Sameday Tape) ESPN2 **RUGBY** 

5:30 a.m.: NRL Rugby South Sydney Rabbitohs vs Brisbane Broncos. (Live)

SOCCER

2:30 p.m.: Fútbol UEFA Champions League Real Madrid vs. Manchester City. (Live) UNI 3 p.m.: UEFA Champions League Soccer Real Madrid vs Manchester City. (Live) CBS

3:50 p.m.: CONCACAF Women's U-17 Championship Quarterfinal: United States vs Jamaica. (Live)

6:50 p.m.: CONCACAF Women's U-17 Championship Quarterfinal: Puerto Rico vs El Salvador. (Live) FSP 8 p.m.: NWSL Soccer OL Reign vs Washington Spirit. (Live) CBSSN 9 p.m.: CONCACAF Women's U-17 Championship Quarterfinal: Mexico vs Dominican Republic. (Same-day Tape) FSP 10 p.m.: CONCACAF Champions League Soccer

**TENNIS** 6 a.m.: ATP/WTA Tennis Madrid-ATP/WTA, ATP Early Rounds, WTA Quarterfinals. (Live) **TENNIS** 

Seattle Sounders FC vs

Pumas UNAM. (Live)

### **METS 5-3, BRAVES 4-0**

# Alonso, Carrasco spearhead sweep of twinbill

**Associated Press** 

NEW YORK - Carlos Carrasco dodged trouble for eight innings, Pete Alonso homered against Kyle Wright on an off night for Atlanta's breakout righthander and the New York Mets beat the Braves 3-0 Tuesday night to complete a doubleheader sweep.

Alonso had two RBI singles in the opener as the Mets pounced early against Charlie Morton, and New York's bullpen closed out a five-hitter to beat the Braves 5-4. Alonso had two hits in each game.

Carrasco (2-1) stranded seven runners with some masterful work out of the stretch, keeping Atlanta off the board despite six hits and two walks. The 35-yearold threw 96 pitches and struck out five, bouncing back well after allowing eight runs in his previous start against St. Louis.

Carrasco became the first Mets pitcher to finish eight innings this season. He helped New York pitch its sixth shutout in 26 games this year.

Dominic Smith hit a two-run double against Wright (3-1) in the first, building off a four-hit game Sunday that may have preserved his spot when rosters shrunk from 28 to 26 on Monday.

Alonso went the other way for a solo drive in the sixth, his fifth homer.

A first-round pick in 2017, Wright came into Tuesday appearing to have finally corralled his immense talent with a 1.13 ERA through four starts. He took a step back at Citi Field, allowing season highs of three runs and nine hits while striking out a season-low three. Still, he covered seven innings on 97 pitches.

Seth Lugo closed out the shutout for his second save.

The late game took just 2 hours, 18 minutes to complete, New York's shortest game this season. Atlanta lost Saturday at Texas in

**Game 1:** Four of the Mets' first five batters reached against Morton, with the Mets taking a 2-0 lead on RBI singles by Alonso and Eduardo Escobar. Alonso added another run-scoring single during New York's two-run second inning.

Morton (1-3) had 56 pitches through two innings but rebounded to cover 5 3/3 on 99 pitches, allowing five runs — four earned — on six hits. The 38-year-old righthander lowered his ERA this season to 6.85.



The Yankees' Gleyber Torres celebrates a two-run home run at the plate during the fourth inning against the Blue Jays on Monday at Rogers Centre in Toronto. COLE BURSTON/GETTY

### Yankees

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They got another strong start from Jordan Montgomery, who kicked off a pitching effort that held off a lineup that included George Springer, Vladimir Guerrero Jr. and Bo Bichette.

But the way Jonathan Loaisiga and Chad Green picked up the ball and shut down the Blue Jays was very encouraging.

The Yankees bullpen has been the star of the first part of the season, but Loaisiga and Green haven't been a part of that. They have strug-

Loaisiga went into the sixth inning with an ugly 6.00 ERA and concerns about his stuff. He blew up in an April 17 loss to the Orioles in which he allowed four earned runs in an inning's work.

Monday night, Loaisiga, who had his first five career saves in 2021, came in with Bichette on first and no outs. He walked Guerrero before coaxing a double-play ground ball from Lourdes Gurriel Jr. and struck out Matt Chapman to strand Bichette on third.

Loaisiga, whose average velocity was slightly down across his repertoire to start the season, came into 2022 as a potential heir to Aroldis Chapman's spot as closer. His Monday night appearance made that seem more

And Green, who was also mentioned as a candidate to close some games this year, has also struggled to start the season. He come in to close Monday night's game with one of the worst hard hit percentages in the majors and having issued four walks in 9.1 innings pitched.

He struck out the first two batters he faced, catcher Aleiandro Kirk and second baseman Santiago Espinal. He got a weak fly ball from

right fielder Raimel Tapia. "I feel like I'm finally getting into a little bit of a rhythm," Green said after the game. "I just felt like it was coming out good and hopefully the more I run out there just the better it will be.

Torres has had two years of struggles. Defensively, the Yankees had to move him from shortstop to second base. Offensively - an All-Star his first two years in the league because of his bat, hitting 62 homers in 2018-19

Torres also had issues. In the last two years, Torres hit 12 homers. In 127 games last season, Torres had nine homers and 51 RBI. He slashed .259/.331/.366 with a .697 OPS.

In 21 games this season (18 starts), Torres already hit three homers - including the two-run shot that powered the Yankees win Monday night. More impressive, he has three doubles, a triple and 12 RBI.

### Sox

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the American League.

On Tuesday, he silenced a dangerous Angels lineup with great efficiency, needing just 60 pitches to record 17 outs. He needed just 12 pitches to get through the first two innings and only really faced trouble once, in the third inning. He issued back-to-back two-out walks to No. 9 hitter Andrew Velazquez and leadoff hitter Taylor Ward, creating a dangerous situation against Mike Trout.

But it didn't come back to haunt him. Wacha fell behind to Trout 2-0 but battled back, striking out the three-time MVP with backto-back swings and misses on his changeup. Wacha wasn't at all in

trouble in the sixth, when he retired the first two batters of the inning. But after allowing a two-out single to Trout, who advanced to second on a throwing error by Rafael Devers — the third baseman's first of the season - Alex Cora elected to take him out after just 60 pitches - his lowest pitch count of the season — and put in Jake Diekman for the lefty-onlefty matchup with Shohei Ohtani.

Wacha and the bullpen's shutout performance were more than enough for the struggling Red Sox offense, which only scored four runs but looked to make an encouraging step in the right direction.

Noah Syndergaard made a big mistake to start the fourth inning, throwing Devers a fastball right down the middle on the first pitch that the third baseman is too good not to hammer. He made no mistake as he crushed it 437 feet to dead center to give the Red Sox a 1-0 lead.

The Red Sox proceeded to have two runners on with no outs and only scored one run in the inning, but though they weren't doing damage, they were still putting the ball in play and moving runners over. Alex Verdugo grounded out to advance Xander Bogaerts to third before Kiké Hernandez drove him in with an RBI groundout to make it a 2-0 game.

J.D. Martinez gave the Red Sox an insurance run in the eighth inning with his second home run in as many games, a solo shot that put them up 4-0.

### **RED SOX NOTES**

# Angels superstar Ohtani to pitch on Thursday

**By Steve Hewitt** Boston Herald

BOSTON - The Red Sox have been crushed by Shohei Ohtani from the batter's box. They'll get a look at him from the pitcher's mound this week.

The Angels' two-way superstar, who's nursing a minor groin injury, will pitch Thursday against the Red Sox at Fenway Park as long as he continues to feel good, according to manager Joe Maddon. Ohtani, who came off the bench as a pinch-hitter Monday, was back in Los Angeles' lineup, batting third as the designated

hitter, on Tuesday. Ohtani has had plenty of success against the Red Sox at the plate — which included a game-winning homer in an Angels win at Fenway last season — but he has never pitched against the Sox at Fenway.

The reigning American League MVP, Ohtani has taken baseball by storm over the last couple of years, and there was even more media than usual on hand Tuesday for his return to Boston. Red Sox manager Alex Cora made no secret Tuesday about how much he admires the two-way sensation. "With all due respect

to all the athletes in baseball, he's by far the best athlete we have," Cora said. "You've seen his progression, and the way he's been able to adjust."

Who's at catcher? Kevin Plawecki started at catcher instead of Christian Vázquez, the backup's seventh start of the season. The Red Sox haven't got much offensive production from catcher this season, ranking 25th in baseball with a .467 OPS entering Tuesday, so Cora is exploring matchups.

We look for certain matchups that we can maximize," Cora said. "Plaw is a good offensive player, just like Christian is, so we'll take it day by

day."
Though he leads the majors with six runners caught stealing, Vázquez has struggled offensively to start the season, slashing .220/.241/.300 with a .541 OPS in 54 plate appearances. That has been maximized with some mental mistakes on the bases, including when he lost track of the number of outs and cost the Red Sox a run on Sunday. But Cora believes the catcher is coming around at the plate.

Odds and ends: Chris Sale is continuing to throw short bullpens in his recovery from a fractured rib cage. Because he's on the 60-day injured list, he's not eligible to return until early June.

# YANKEES NOTES

# Gonzalez makes 2nd start, adding extra lefty bat to lineup against Jays

**By Kristie Ackert** New York Daily News

TORONTO - Marwin Gonzalez made his second start, his first in the outfield, for the Yankees Tuesday night in the second game of a three-game series against the Blue Jays at the Rogers Centre. Against Alek Manhoah, the Blue Jays tough young right-hander, Aaron Boone said he wanted to get another lefty in the lineup and the switch hitting Gonzalez is the rare Yankee with some positive results against Manoah.

"I do know he got a few hits against him last year. I just knew when I wasn't gonna go with Joey (Gallo) and not wanting to run (Giancarlo Stanton) back out in the outfield again tonight. And then I just (said) let's get another lefty bat in there somewhere," the Yankees manager said. "And the fact that he had a little success against them last year hopefully carries on."

Gonzalez went 3-for-6 with a walk and a strikeout against Manoah last season. Gallo, who is still day-to-day with a tight left groin, was 2-for-6 against Manoah, and Stanton also was 2-for-6.

DJ LeMahieu, who went 0-for-8 with four strikeouts against Manoah last season, was out of the lineup Tuesday.

Gonzalez was signed because of his defensive versatility. He can play every position in the infield except catcher and can also play the outfield.

Still day-to-day: Gallo was on the field and hitting with the final group during the Yankees batting practice Tuesday, but Boone was still being cautious with him. It was the third straight game that Gallo was out of the starting lineup with the left groin issues that he first felt during the Bombers sweep of the Royals in Kansas City over the weekend.

I know yesterday was better than the day before and I think we're at least encouraged by what we saw, but soft tissue things...you just kind of want to err on the side of caution, especially this time of year," Boone said of Gallo. "Making sure he's sound and ready to go. So we'll see how he does pregame and you know, I'm expecting it to go pretty well."

Gallo, who is struggling offensively to start the season, had two hits in Saturday night's game before having to leave after injuring himself trying to steal second base. Gallo has had just two multi-hit games this season, so he was frustrated to have to sit just when he felt like he was seeing some results.

Gallo is hitting .180/.275/.295 with a .570 OPS, two home runs and three RBI. The lefty has struck out 29 times in 61 at-bats and walked eight times.

"Last night he was an emergency option. I'm hoping and expecting that he'll be an option for me tonight, but I want to go through the pregame and make sure he gets through but I know he's feeling pretty good," Boone said. "And actually in talking to him last night he wanted to be in there today."

# **Celtics**

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with 1:52 left.

With Smart looking in street clothes from the bench, the Celtics scored the game's first seven points on their way to taking an 18-3 lead and forcing a quick timeout by the Bucks.

Boston scored from a variety of different spots on the court during the run — attacking both at the rim and inside the paint. It also included 12 points from the 3-point line, where the Celtics struggled for most of Game 1.

Antetokounmpo missed his first six shots of the night before finally getting on the scoreboard via a dunk with less than a minute left in the opening period.

It didn't stop Boston from banking a 32-21 lead heading into the second quarter, boosted by 17 points from Brown —a career playoff-high for a quarter.

The Celtics continued to share and kept Milwaukee's defense in chase mode, eventually taking a 65-40 edge into the half.

Celtics coach Ime Udoka said Smart experienced some swelling, pain and restricted movement over the past two days. But the expectation is for him to be ready in time for

'I don't think it's long-term," Udoka said. "With three days off we're assuming he'll be OK."



Celtics forward Jayson Tatum (0) puts up a shot after driving past Bucks forward Giannis Antetokounmpo, rear, during the second half of Game 2 of an Eastern Conference semifinal Tuesday in Boston. CHARLES KRUPA/AP

### BASEBALL

# AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	17	6	.739	_	_	10-0	W-10	10-3	7-3
Toronto	15	9	.625	2 1/2	_	6-4	L-1	9-5	6-4
Tampa Bay	13	10	.565	4	_	6-4	W-1	9-7	4-3
Boston	9	14	.391	8	3	3-7	L-2	3-4	6-10
Baltimore	8	15	.348	9	4	4-6	L-1	5-5	3-10
CENTRAL	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	НОМЕ	AWAY
Minnesota	14	9	.609	_	_	9-1	W-3	8-4	6-5
Cleveland	10	12	.455	3 ½	1 ½	3-7	W-3	3-3	7-9
Chicago	9	13	.409	4 1/2	2 1/2	3-7	W-1	7-6	2-7
Detroit	7	14	.333	6	4	3-7	L-1	4-8	3-6
Kansas City	7	14	.333	6	4	2-8	L-4	5-8	2-6
WEST	w	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	НОМЕ	AWAY
Los Angeles	15	9	.625	_	_	7-3	L-1	8-5	7-4
Houston	12	11	.522	2 1/2	_	6-4	W-1	3-4	9-7
Seattle	12	11	.522	2 1/2	_	5-5	L-1	7-2	5-9
Oakland	10	13	.435	4 1/2	2	3-7	L-4	4-7	6-6
Texas	8	14	.364	6	3 1/2	5-5	W-2	4-9	4-5

# NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	17	8	.680	_	_	6-4	W-1	8-4	9-4
Miami	12	10	.545	3 1/2	1	7-3	L-2	6-5	6-5
Philadelphia	11	12	.478	5	2 1/2	6-4	L-1	8-5	3-7
Atlanta	11	14	.440	6	3 1/2	4-6	L-1	6-7	5-7
Washington	8	16	.333	8 1/2	6	2-8	W-1	3-11	5-5
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Milwaukee	15	8	.652	_	_	7-3	L-1	7-4	8-4
St. Louis	13	9	.591	1 ½	-	5-5	W-2	7-5	6-4
Chicago	9	13	.409	5 ½	4	3-7	W-1	4-6	5-7
Pittsburgh	9	13	.409	5 ½	4	4-6	L-1	5-7	4-6
Cincinnati	3	19	.136	11 ½	10	1-9	L-6	1-7	2-12
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	номе	AWAY
Los Angeles	14	7	.667	_	_	6-4	W-1	8-2	6-5
San Diego	15	8	.652	_	_	7-3	W-1	6-4	9-4
San Francisco	14	8	.636	1/2	_	6-4	L-1	6-5	8-3
Colorado	13	9	.591	1 ½	-	5-5	W-3	9-4	4-5
Arizona	11	13	.458	4 1/2	3	6-4	W-1	5-7	6-6

TODAY'S PITCHING COMPARISON

2022

3.32 3.60 2-2 1-1

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1-3 1-3

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Olson 1b	2	1	1	3	0	.28
Riley 3b	3	0	1	0	0	.28
Ozuna dh	4	0	0	0	1	.23
d'Arnaud c	4	0	0	0	2	.31
Duvall cf	3	1	0	0	2	.17
Swanson ss	4	0	1	0	3	.22
Demeritte rf	3	1	1	1	1	.33
Heredia If	3	0	0	0	3	.11
a-Arcia ph	1	0	1	0	0	.29
TOTALS	32	4	5	4	12	
NY Mets	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	A۷
Jankowski cf	3	3	2	0	0	.36
Canha If	3	0	0	1	2	.33
Lindor dh	3	1	0	1	0	.26
Alonso 1b	4	0	2	2	1	.25
Escobar 3b	4	0	1	1	0	.25
McNeil 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.34
Marte rf	4	0	1	0	0	.23
Guillorme ss	2	1	0	0	0	.24
Nido c	3	0	1	0	0	.20
TOTALS	30	5	7	5	5	
Atlanta	040	030	000		- 4	5

E: Morton (1), d'Arnaud (1), Peterson (1). LOB: Atlanta 6, New York 6. 2B: Swanson (7). HR: Olson (3), off Peterson.

**RBIs:** Demeritte (3), Olson 3(10), Alonso 2(20), Escobar (6), Lindor (15), Canha CS: Marte (4). SF: Demeritte. Canha. Runners left in scoring position: Atlanta 1(Heredia); New York 3(Esco-

bar, Marte, Canha). RISP: Atlanta 1for 2; New York 3for 9. LIDP: Guillorme DP: Atlanta 1(Albies, Olson, Albies).

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Morton, L, 1-3 Chavez	5²/3 21/3	6 1	5 0	4 0	3 0	3 2	6.85 2.84
NY METS	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	ERA
Peterson, W, 1-0	5	4	4	3	3	6	1.89
Ottavino, H, 2	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.72
Dr.Smith, H, 7	2	0	0	0	1	2	0.00
Diaz, S, 5-6	1	1	0	0	0	2	1.64
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**Ground Balls-Fly Balls:** Morton 10-5 Chavez 3-1; Peterson 5-5; Ottavino 1-0; Smith 1-3; Díaz 1-0. Batters Faced: Morton 28; Chavez 7; Peterson 23; Ottavino 3; Smith 7; Díaz 4. Inherited runners-scored: Chavez 2-0.

Umpires: Home, Laz Diaz; First, Charlie Ramos; Second, Brian O'Nora; Third, Chad Fairchild. T: 2:49.

### LATE MONDAY: ARIZONA 5, MIAMI 4 Arizona

HBP: Morton (Lindor).

Arizona	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Varsho cf	4	2	2	0	1	.231
Luplow rf	4	1	2	2	2	.263
Peralta If	4	1	3	3	1	.227
Walker 1b	2	0	0	0	0	.148
Hummel dh	4	0	0	0	2	.156
Alcantara 3b	4	0	0	0	2	.130
C.Kelly c	4	0	1	0	1	.113
Ahmed ss	4	0	0	0	1	.296
Perdomo 2b	4	1	1	0	2	.184
TOTALS	34	5	9	5	12	
Miami	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Chisholm Jr. 2	2b4	1	1	2	0	.306
Aguilar 1b	4	0	2	2	1	.246
1-Berti pr-ss	1	0	0	0	0	.346
Soler If	4	0	0	0	2	.176
Sanchez cf	4	0	1	0	0	.266
Garcia rf	3	1	0	0	2	.187
Cooper dh	3	1	1	0	0	.277
Anderson 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.268
Rojas ss-1b	4	0	2	0	0	.185
Stallings c	3	1	0	0	0	.169
TOTALS	34	4	8	4	6	
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(1). LOB: Arizona 5, Miami 7. 2B: Varsho 2(4), Sanchez (3), Chisholm Jr. (4). HR: Peralta (3), off Lopez. **RBIs:** Peralta 3(9), Luplow 2(5), Chisholm Jr. 2(17), Aguilar 2(8). **SB:** Luplow (1), Berti (2). **CS:** Luplow (1). Runners left in scoring position: Arizona 3(Hummel, Walker, C.Kelly); Miami 3(Soler Berti Garcia) RISP: Arizona 4for 11; Miami 2for 8. LIDP: Stallings. GIDP: Ahmed. DP: Arizona 1(Walker, Ahmed, Walker): Miami 1(Anderson, Chisholm Jr.,

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ARIZONA	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	S0	ERA	
Gallen, W, 1-0	61/3	5	2	2	0	5	1.27	
Ramirez	2/3	2	2	2	0	0	3.38	
Mantiply, H, 3	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.00	
Kennedy, S, 2-3	1	1	0	0	1	0	4.09	
MIAMI	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	ERA	
Lopez, L, 3-1	42/3	6	4	4	2	7	1.61	
Head	11/3	0	0	0	1	0	0.00	
Bleier	1	3	1	1	0	1	5.68	
Scott	1	0	0	0	0	2	4.82	
Sulser	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.84	
Pitches-Strike	<b>:s:</b> G	alle	n 1	L02-	64;	Ran	nirez	
26-17; Mantip	ly 10	-8;	Ke	nne	dy 1	L9-1	1;	
López 97-66; F					eier	15-	11;	
Scott 10-8; Su	Scott 10-8; Sulser 12-11.							
Inhovited works				d. D			າາ	

Inherited runners-scored: Ramirez 2-2.

ribr. danen z(darcia,cooper), kaninez
(Stallings). WP: Lopez.
Umpires: Home, John Libka; First,
Adrian Johnson; Second, Ryan Wills;
Third, Adam Beck.
T: 3:27. <b>A:</b> 6.224(36.742).

SEASO	N H	ME	DIIN	c		
TM				OBP	SLG	OPS
NYY	4.74	32	.247	.322	.420	.742
TOR	3.92	31	.245	.304	.407	.711
ATL	3.92	29	.229	.304	.403	.706
LAA	4.58	28	.249	.327	.419	.747
HOU	3.70	27	.216	.288	.375	.663
PHI	4.61	25	.244	.316	.408	.724
ARI	3.25	25	.185	.275	.332	.607
MIL	4.09	24	.218	.291	.369	.660
SFG	4.95	24	.237	.315	.379	.694
MIN	4.17	24	.231	.311	.377	.688
COL	4.73	24	.265	.337	.430	.768
SEA	4.43	23	.237	.327	.389	.715
LAD	4.86	21	.237	.321	.384	.705
SDP	4.74	21	.234	.326	.376	.702
CLE	4.59	20	.251	.314	.405	.720
TBR	4.17	20	.242	.313	.385	.699
TEX	4.36	19	.223	.293	.339	.632
NYM	4.58	19	.257	.340	.383	.723
CHW	3.27	19	.219	.272	.350	.622
MIA	3.95	18	.237	.325	.375	.699
OAK	3.70	18	.206	.270	.331	.601
CHC	4.36	17	.246	.329	.382	.711
STL	4.09	17	.234	.306	.354	.660
CIN	3.05	15	.201	.271	.311	.582
BOS	3.52	13	.229	.280	.343	.622
WSN	3.96	12	.241	.309	.337	.645
PIT	3.64	12	.232	.298	.330	.628

3.00 12 .212 .283 .312 .595

3.19 10 .232 .309 .322 .631

.216 .300 .313 .612

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PLAYER	HR	тм	AB	AVG	SLG
Anthony Rizzo	9	NYY	82	.256	.634
C.J. Cron	8	COL	85	.282	.647
Aaron Judge	8	NYY		.298	
Yordan Álvarez	7	HOU		.262	
Byron Buxton	7	MIN		.281	
José Ramírez	7	CLE		.341	
Austin Riley	7	ATL		.284	
Kyle Schwarber	7	PHI		.200	
Ozzie Albies	6	ATL		.217	
Nolan Arenado	6	STL	78	.359	.679
Vlad. Guerrero J	r. 6	TOR	83	.277	.518
Joc Pederson	6	SFG	51	.353	.745
George Springer	6	TOR	87	.299	.563
Mike Trout	6	LAA	68	.324	.721
Willy Adames	5	MIL	87	.230	.460
Ty France	5	SEA	91	.341	.538
Max Kepler	5	MIN	73	.247	.493
Jeremy Peña	5	HOU	79	.215	.468
Salvador Perez	5	KCR	81	.185	.420
Jurickson Profar	5	SDP	74	.176	.432
Hunter Renfroe	5	MIL	78	.244	.487
Christian Walker	r 5	ARI	81	.148	.370
Taylor Ward	5	LAA	59	.390	.746
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AILANIA 5, N.Y. MEIS 2								
Atlanta	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG		
Acuna Jr. rf	4	0	1	0	2	.176		
Olson 1b	3	1	0	0	1	.281		
Riley 3b	4	1	2	1	0	.284		
Ozuna dh	4	1	0	0	1	.245		
Albies 2b	4	2	2	0	1	.217		
d'Arnaud c	4	0	3	3	0	.333		
Duvall cf	3	0	0	1	2	.181		
Demeritte If	3	0	0	0	1	.333		
Heredia If	1	0	0	0	1	.125		
Swanson ss	3	0	0	0	2	.225		
TOTALS	33	5	8	5	11			
NY Mets	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG		
Nimmo cf	3	0	0	0	0	.254		
Canha If	4	1	2	1	2	.356		
Lindor ss	4	0	0	0	1	.269		
Alonso 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.239		
Escobar dh	4	0	0	0	1	.250		
Davis 3b	4	0	0	0	2	.200		
Marte rf	4	1	2	0	1	.237		
McNeil 2b	3	0	1	0	1	.360		
McCann c	2	0	0	0	0	.159		
a-Do.Smith ph	1	0	0	0	0	.244		
TOTALS	33	2	5	1	10			
Atlanta		102			- 5	8 1		
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a-flied out for McCann in the 9th E: Albies (2). LOB: Atlanta 5, New York 7. **2B:** d'Arnaud 2(5), Marte (3). **HR:** Riley (7), off Bassitt; Canha (1), RBIs: Riley (14), d'Arnaud 3(11), Duvall

(11), Canha (7). SF: Duvall.
Runners left in scoring position:
Atlanta 2(Duvall, Olson); New York 4
(Do.Smith, Escobar, Canha 2). RISP: Atlanta 2 for 4; New York 0 for 6. Runners moved up: McNeil. DP: New York 1(Alonso, Nimmo, Davis,

ATLANTA	IP	Н	R	ER	вв	so	ERA
Fried, W, 3-2	6	4	2	2	0	6	3.00
Matzek, H, 6	2/3	0	0	0	2	1	3.24
McHugh, H, 1	1/3	0	0	0	0	1	5.40
Minter, H, 3	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.79
Jansen, S, 7-7	1	1	0	0	0	1	2.70
NY METS	IP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	<b>ERA</b>
Bassitt, L, 3-2	7	6	3	3	1	8	2.61
May	1	2	2	2	1	0	8.64
Ottavino	1	0	0	0	0	3	4.15

Pitches-Strikes: Fried 90-64; Matzek 22-10; McHugh 4-3; Minter 11-8; Jansen 22-16; Bassitt 95-64; May 27-13; Otta-Inherited runners-scored: McHugh 3-0.

HBP: Bassitt (Acuna Jr.), Matzel Umpires: He Laz Diaz: Se

it (Acuita 11.), Watzek	
WP: Fried.	
ome, Chad Fairchild; First,	
econd, Jeremy Riggs; Third,	
a. T: 3:18. <b>A:</b> 23,413(41,922).	

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NY Yankees	AB	R	Н	ВІ	SO	AVG
LeMahieu 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.296
Judge cf-rf	4	0	1	0	1	.298
Rizzo 1b	4	0	0	0	1	.256
Stanton rf	4	0	1	0	0	.256
1-Locastro pr-	lf0	1	0	0	0	.154
Donaldson dh	4	1	1	0	0	.211
Hicks If-cf	4	0	0	0	3	.263
Torres 2b	4	1	2	3	0	.239
Kiner-Falefa s	s 4	0	1	0	0	.300
Trevino c	3	0	0	0	0	.185
TOTALS	35	3	7	3	6	
Toronto	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Springer cf	4	1	2	0	0	.299
Bichette ss	4	1	2	1	2	.225
Guerrero Jr. 11	3	0	1	0	0	.277
Gurriel Jr. If	4	0	1	0	0	.287
M.Chapman 3	b 4	0	1	1	1	.221
Kirk dh	3	0	1	0	1	.237
Espinal 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.250
Tapia rf	4	0	0	0	2	.227
Heineman c	3	0	1	0	2	.364
TOTALS	33	2	9	2	9	
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E: Guerrero Jr. (1), LOB: New York 5 Toronto 6. **2B:** Kiner-Falefa (6), Bichette (3), Heineman (2). HR: Torres (3), off Stripling **RBIs:** Torres 3 (12), Bichette (11),

**SB:** Judge (2), LeMahieu (1), Locastro

M.Chapman (13).

Runners left in scoring position: New York 3(Rizzo 2, Stanton); Toronto 4 (M.Chapman, Springer 2, Espinal). RISP: New York 2for 8; Toronto 1for 8. Runners moved up: Trevino, Gurriel

GIDP: M.Chapman, Gurriel Jr., Guerrero Rizzo; Kiner-Falefa, Torres, Rizzo;
Kiner-Falefa, Torres, Rizzo;
Kiner-Falefa, Torres, Rizzo;

NY YANKEES	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ER/
Montgomery	5	6	2	2	0	5	2.8
Loaisiga	1	0	0	0	1	1	5.4
Castro	2/3	1	0	0	1	0	2.0
Holmes, W, 2-0	11/3		0	0	0	1	0.7
Green, S, 1-3	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.4
TORONTO	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB	S0	ER/
Stripling	4	5	2	2	0	3	3.7
Phelps	12/3	0	0	0	0	0	2.7
Richards	11/3	0	0	0	0	1	4.9
Cimber	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
		2	1	1	0	1	4.8
Garcia, L, 0-2	1						
Garcia, L, 0-2 Inherited runn	_	_	_	_	_	siga	1-0,
	_	_	_	_	_	siga	1-0,

# LATE MONDAY: HOUSTON 3, SEATTLE 0

T: 2:54. **A:** 18,577(53,506).

Seattle	AB	R	н	ві	SO	AVG
Frazier 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.239
France 1b	4	Ö	2	0	Ô	.341
Winker If	3	Ö	0	0	ő	.190
Suarez dh	3	Ö	0	0	1	.207
Crawford ss	2	0	1	0	1	.375
	3		1	0		
Rodriguez cf		0	_	-	1	.238
Toro 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.157
Kelenic rf	3	0	0	0	1	.134
Torrens c	3	0	1	0	0	.222
TOTALS	28	0	5	0	5	
Houston	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Altuve 2b	3	0	0	0	0	.154
Brantley dh	4	0	2	0	0	.286
Bregman 3b	4	0	1	0	0	.231
Alvarez If	3	1	1	1	1	.262
Gurriel 1b	4	0	1	0	0	.213
Tucker rf	4	1	2	0	1	.262
McCormick c	f 4	0	0	ō	1	.271
Pena ss	3	1	1	2	0	.215
Maldonado c	3	ō	Ô	0	1	.083
TOTALS	32	3	8	3	4	.005
TOTALS	32	,	0	3	-	
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000 102 00x - 3 8 0 Houston E: Frazier (3). LOB: Seattle 4, Houston 7. 2B: Gurriel (10), Bregman (4). HR: Alvarez (7), off Gonzales; Pena (5), off Gonzales.

**RBIs:** Alvarez (13), Pena 2 (12). CS: Rodriguez (1). Runners left in scoring position: Seattle 1(Rodriguez); Houston 5(Pena, Gurriel 4). **RISP:** Seattle Ofor 2; Houston 1for 9.

Runners moved up: Bregman, McCormick. GIDP: Suarez, Winker, Rodriguez. **DP:** Houston 3(Gurriel, Pena, Gurriel; Bregman, Altuve, Gurriel; Bregman, Altuve, Gurriel). ID H R FR BB SO ERA

SEATTLE	IP	н	K	EK	BB	20	EKA	
Gonzales, L, 1-3 Misiewicz	6	8	3	3	2	2	4.05 1.69	
Mills	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.00	
HOUSTON	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	
Odorizzi, W, 2-2		4	0	0	1	3	4.15	
Stanek, H, 1	1/3	0	0	0	1	1	2.16	
Neris, H, 4	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.75	
Montero, S, 2-2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0.87	
Pitches-Strikes: Gonzales 95-60;								
Misiewicz 6-4; Mills 16-11; Odorizzi								
89-55; Stanek	9-5;	Ne	ris	11-8	3; M	ont	ero	
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Ground Balls-Fly Balls: Gonzales 11-6: Misiewicz 1-2; Mills 0-1; Odorizzi 9-3; Stanek 0-0; Neris 1-1; Montero 1-0. Batters Faced: Gonzales 28: Misiewicz 3; Mills 3; Odorizzi 22; Stanek 2; Neris

Inherited runners-scored: Stanek 1-0. **Umpires:** Home, Manny Gonzalez; First, CB Bucknor; Second, Stu Scheuwater; Third, Jeff Nelson, T: 2:48. **A:** 27,321(41,168).

### ATE MONDAY: **MINNESOTA 2, BALTIMORE 1**

1	Minnesota	AB	R	Н	ВІ	SO	AVC
	Buxton cf	4	1	1	0	3	.28
	Arraez 1b	4	0	1	0	1	.296
	Correa ss	4	0	1	1	1	.256
	Polanco 2b	4	0	1	0	0	.198
	Kepler rf	3	0	0	0	1	.247
	Miranda 3b	4	0	0	0	0	.000
	Urshela 3b	0	0	0	0	0	.258
	Larnach dh	3	1	1	0	2	.29
	Jeffers c	3	0	1	1	0	.222
	Gordon If	3	0	1	0	0	.243
	TOTALS	32	2	7	2	8	
	Baltimore	AB	R	н	BI	SO	AVC
	Mullins cf	4	0	1	0	1	.222
	Hays If	3	0	0	0	1	.265
	Santander rf	4	0	1	0	0	.243
	Mountcastle	1b4	0	0	0	1	.238
	Nevin dh	4	0	1	0	1	.154
	Odor 2b	3	1	1	0	1	.207
	Urias 3b	2	0	0	1	1	.194
	Chirinos c	2	0	0	0	1	.159
	1-Bemboom	c 0	0	0	0	0	.148
	Mateo ss	3	0	0	0	1	.236
	TOTALS	29	1	4	1	8	
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000 011 000 - 2 7 0 000 010 000 - 1 4 0 1-ran for Chirinos in the 8th. LOB: Minnesota 4, Baltimore 4. 2B: Larnach (8). 3B: Odor (1). RBIs: Jeffers (6), Correa (9), Urias (4). CS: Gordon (2). SF: Urias. Runners left in scoring position: Minnesota 2(Miranda, Kepler); Baltimore 1 (Urias). **RISP:** Minnesota 2for 4; Baltimore 0for 2.

Runners moved up: Arraez, Odor. **GIDP:** Gordon, Mountcastle. **DP:** Minnesota 1(Polanco, Arraez); Baltimore 1(Odor, Mateo, Mountcas-

MINNESOTA	IP	н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	ERA
Paddack, W, 1-2	51/3	4	1	1	1	3	3.15
Smith, H, 3	2/3	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Jax, H, 1	1	0	0	0	0	2	1.80
Pagan, H, 1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2.70
Duran, S, 1-1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3.00
BALTIMORE	IΡ	Н	R	ER	BB	S0	ERA
Wells	<b>IP</b> 5	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	ER 1	<b>BB</b>	<b>SO</b>	4.50
		<b>H</b> 4 2					
Wells	5		1	1	0	4	4.50
Wells Baker, L, 1-1	5 ⅓	2	1	1	0	4 0	4.50 5.79

Inherited runners-scored: Smith 2-0. Perez 1-0. WP: Perez. Umpires: Home, Quinn Wolcott; First, Alan Porter: Second, Mark Wegner: Third, Jeremie Rehak T: 2:56. **A:** 7,427(45,971).

### LATE MONDAY: TAMPA BAY 6, OAKLAND 1 Tampa Bay AB R H BI SO AVG

Diaz 1b	5	2	2	1	0	.306
Franco ss	4	1	2	1	1	.322
a-Paredes ph	-3b1	0	0	0	0	.200
Arozarena lf	5	0	1	1	1	.209
Lowe 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.184
Ramirez dh	4	0	1	0	0	.324
Kiermaier cf	4	1	0	0	1	.185
Margot rf	4	1	3	1	0	.286
Walls 3b-ss	4	0	0	0	2	.234
Zunino c	4	1	1	1	2	.106
TOTALS	39	6	11	5	8	
Oakland	AB	R	Н	BI	SO	AVG
Oakland Kemp 2b	<b>AB</b> 4	<b>R</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>BI</b>	<b>SO</b>	.234
Kemp 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.234
Kemp 2b Neuse 3b	4	0	0	0	0 2	.234
Kemp 2b Neuse 3b Lowrie dh	4 4 4	0 0 0	0 0 1	0 0	0 2 1	.234 .310 .212
Kemp 2b Neuse 3b Lowrie dh Murphy c	4 4 4 3	0 0 0	0 0 1 0	0 0 0	0 2 1 2	.234 .310 .212 .202
Kemp 2b Neuse 3b Lowrie dh Murphy c Piscotty rf Brown 1b Pinder If	4 4 4 3 3	0 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 2 1 2 1	.234 .310 .212 .202 .206
Kemp 2b Neuse 3b Lowrie dh Murphy c Piscotty rf Brown 1b	4 4 4 3 3 2	0 0 0 0 0	0 0 1 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0	0 2 1 2 1 1	.234 .310 .212 .202 .206 .182
Kemp 2b Neuse 3b Lowrie dh Murphy c Piscotty rf Brown 1b Pinder If	4 4 4 3 3 2 3	0 0 0 0 0 1	0 0 1 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0	0 2 1 2 1 1 1	.234 .310 .212 .202 .206 .182 .288

102 210 000 - 6 11 0 010 000 000 - 1 2 2 a-grounded out for Franco in the 9th. E: Pache (1), Andrus (5). LOB: Tampa Bay 6, Oakland 2. 2B: Margot 2(3) HR: Diaz (2), off Jefferies.

Tampa Bay

**RBIs:** Diaz (5), Arozarena (6), Zunino (3), Franco (14), Margot (9), Pinder (9). Runners left in scoring position: Tampa Bay 2(Walls, Kiermaier); Oakland 0. RISP: Tampa Bay 3for 8; Oakland 1for 1.

TAMPA BAY IP H R ER BB SO ERA

Rasmussen, W, 2 Adam Sanders	-15 1 1	1 0 1 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	1 0 0	3 1 3 0	3.1 1.0 1.8 0.0
Thompson Kittredge	1	0	0	0	0	2	1.7
OAKLAND	ΙP	Н	R	ER	ВВ	SO	ER/
Jefferies, L, 1-4	5	11	6	6	0	4	4.8
Acevedo	2	0	0	0	0	2	4.6
Moll	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0
Kolarek	1	0	0	0	0	0	4.1
Pitches-Strikes	s: R	asr	nus	ser	83	-51;	
Adam 11-8; Sai	nde	rs 1	13-1	10; 7	'hoi	mps	on
9-7: Kittredge 1	10-8	3: Je	effe	ries	90	-60:	
Acevedo 24-17	; M	oll :	14-	10; ł	(ola	rek	

Adam 0-0; Sanders 1-0; Thompson 2-1; Kittredge 0-0; Jefferies 9-5; Acevedo 1-2: Moll 1-0: Kolarek 2-0. **Batters Faced:** Rasmussen 17; Adam 3; Sanders 4; Thompson 3; Kittredge 3; Jefferies 26; Acevedo 7; Moll 3;

Ground Balls-Fly Balls: Rasmussen 5-4:

Kolarek 3. Umpires: Home, James Hoye; First, Jim Wolf; Second, D.J. Reyburn; Third, Angel Hernandez. T: 2:37. **A:** 2,488(46,847).

<b>TM</b> Pit Det	PITCHER Quintana (L) Pineda (R)	<b>TIME</b> G1 1:10p	<b>W-L</b> 0-1 1-1	<b>ERA</b> 3.32 3.60
SD Cle	Gore (L) Quantrill (R)	G1 1:10p	2-0 1-1	1.76 3.27
SD Cle	TBD TBD	G2 4:35p	0-0 0-0	0.00
StL KC	Wainwright (R) Bubic (L)	1:10p	2-3 0-2	4.00 10.50
Pit Det	TBD Faedo (R)	G2 4:40p	0-0 0-0	0.00
Tex Phi	Pérez (L) Wheeler (R)	6:45p	0-2 1-3	3.00 5.79
ChW ChC	Giolito (R) Hendricks (R)	7:40p	0-1 1-2	2.57 5.47
AMER	RICAN LEAGUE		20	)22
<b>TM</b> Sea Hou	PITCHER Brash (R) Verlander (R)	<b>TIME</b> 2:10p	W-L 1-2 2-1	<b>ERA</b> 6.88 1.73
TB Oak	Kluber (R) Montas (R)	3:37p	1-1 2-2	3.05 4.25
Min	Bundy (R)		3-1	2.95

INTERLEAGUE

<b>TM</b> Sea Hou	PITCHER Brash (R) Verlander (R)	<b>TIME</b> 2:10p	W-L 1-2 2-1	<b>ERA</b> 6.88 1.73	<b>TR</b> 2-2 2-2	W-L 1-0 1-0	5.1 8.0	<b>ERA</b> 3.38 0.00	W-L 1-1 2-0	IP 11.2 21.0	<b>ERA</b> 8.49 1.71
TB Oak	Kluber (R) Montas (R)	3:37p	1-1 2-2	3.05 4.25	2-2 2-3	0-0 1-0	0.0 6.1	0.00 1.42	1-1 1-1	16.0 18.1	3.94 3.93
Min Bal	Bundy (R) Bradish (R)	7:05p	3-1 0-1	2.95 3.00	3-1 0-1	0-0 0-0	1.1 0.0	6.75 0.00	2-1 0-1	16.1 6.0	3.86 3.00
NYY Tor	Cortes Jr. (L) Kikuchi (L)	7:07p	1-0 0-1	1.31 5.52	3-1 0-4	0-0 0-1	4.1 3.1	0.00 5.40	1-0 0-0	16.1 11.1	1.65 5.56
LAA Bos	TBD Whitlock (R)	7:10p	0-0 1-1	0.00 0.54	0-0 0-2	0-0 0-0	0.0 1.0	0.00 0.00	0-0 0-1	0.0 7.0	0.00
NATIO	ONAL LEAGUE		20	)22		202	1 VS	OPP	LAST	3 ST/	ARTS
<b>TM</b> Ari Mia	PITCHER Bumgarner (L) Hernandez (R)	<b>TIME</b> 12:40p	<b>W-L</b> 1-1 2-1	<b>ERA</b> 1.17 5.75	<b>TR</b> 2-3 3-1	W-L 1-0 0-0	17 13.0 0.0	<b>ERA</b> 0.69 0.00	<b>W-L</b> 1-1 2-0	15.0 15.2	ERA 0.60 5.17
Atl NYM	Anderson (R) Megill (R)	1:10p	2-1 4-0	4.66 1.93	2-2 5-0		16.1 19.2	3.31 2.75	2-0 2-0	16.2 17.2	2.70 3.06

Wood (L) TBD **TR:** Team's record in games started by today's pitcher. **Vs. Opp:** Pitcher's record versus this opponent.

### RESULTS, SCHEDULE

Gutierrez (R) Peralta (R)

Corbin (L) Gomber (L)

### **AMERICAN LEAGUE** TUESDAY'S RESULTS Texas at Philadelphia, late

Minnesota at Baltimore, late N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, late L.A. Angels at Boston, late Chi. White Sox at Chi. Cubs, late Seattle at Houston, late St. Louis at Kansas City, late Tampa Bay at Oakland, late Pittsburgh at Detroit, ppd. San Diego at Cleveland, ppd.

# THURSDAY'S GAMES

L.A. Angels at Boston, 1:35p.m. Toronto at Cleveland, 6:10p.m. Minnesota at Baltimore, 7:05p.m. Detroit at Houston, 8:10p.m. Tampa Bay at Seattle, 9:40p.m.

MONDAY'S RESULTS Chi. White Sox 3, L.A. Angels 0 Minnesota 2, Baltimore 1 N.Y. Yankees 3, Toronto 2 Houston 3, Seattle 0

Tampa Bay 6, Oakland 1

■ Padres-Guardians: A.J. Preller is generally not the emotional type.

But as the Padres' president of baseball operations stood in the visitors' dugout at PNC Park a few days ago discussing the trade that sent a bunch of young players to Cleveland in August 2020, he ran a finger down

"I don't want to say I had

That reaction was specifically about the conversation in which he told Gabriel Arias he had been traded as part of the mega-deal that brought pitcher Mike

"That's the hardest part of the job," Preller said.

He recalled the first time he saw Arias as a 15-yearold, remembered what he walked like, what he was wearing, what they talked about in Spanish.

"You get attached," he said.

The topic sent him down a somewhat wistful path in which he discussed Ty France and Jack Suwinski and Tucupita Marcano and others shipped as part of the construction process of the Padres' current roster.

"I follow them all," Preller said. "I love those guys."

He might, later in the

NATIONAL LEAGUE TUESDAY'S RESULTS G1: N.Y. Mets 5. Atlanta 4

0-2 17.0 4.76 0-0 0.0 0.00

Arizona at Miami, late G2: Atlanta at N.Y. Mets, late Texas at Philadelphia, late Chi. White Sox at Chi. Cubs, late Cincinnati at Milwaukee,late St. Louis at Kansas City, late Washington at Colorado, late San Francisco at L.A. Dodgers, late San Diego at Cleveland, and. Pittsburgh at Detroit, ppd.

2021 VS OPP LAST 3 STARTS

2022 VS OPP LAST 3 STARTS

W-L

0-0 13.2 2-1 15.2

0-1 14.0 2.57 1-1 15.2 4.60

IP ERA

3.95 2.87

IP ERA

1.1 33.75 4.1 8.31

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1-0 7.0 2.57 0-1 6.0 12.00

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### THURSDAY'S GAMES Cincinnati at Milwaukee, 1:40p.m. Washington at Colorado, 3:10p.m.

N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 6:45p.m. Miami at San Diego, 9:40p.m. St. Louis at San Francisco, 9:45p.m.

MONDAY'S RESULTS St. Louis 1. Kansas City 0 Arizona 5, Miami 4 Atlanta 5, N.Y. Mets 2

# AROUND THE HORN

his cheek.

tears in my eyes," he said. "But I had tears in my eyes."

Clevinger to the Padres.

He doesn't plan to be at Progressive Field for the intermarried family reunion that will take place over the next two days. There's a team to continue building, places to be, probably some teenage baseball players to see in some far-flung locale.

season, make it to Seattle, where there are almost as many former Padres playing as there are in Cleveland. But not quite.

Austin Hedges, Owen Miller, Josh Naylor and Franmil Reyes are in the Guardians' lineup more days than not this season. Cal Quantrill will be their starting pitcher Wednesday against the Padres.

That is, in order, a catcher who played 406 games for the Padres from 2015 to '20; a former top-11 Padres prospect; a former top-10 prospect who played 112 games for the Padres in '19 and '20; a gregarious slugger who was beloved in the team's clubhouse and by its fans during his time in San Diego from 2018 to '19, and a first-round draft pick who pitched 33 games for the Padres in '19 and '20.

(Arias, the Guardians' third-ranked prospect who has started two games for them, fractured his hand Sunday in a game at Triple-A. Pitcher Joey Cantillo, who was the Padres' seventh-ranked prospect at the time of the Clevinger trade, is in Double-A.) MacKenzie Gore, drafted

third overall by the Padres in 2017, will start Wednesday against Quantrill, drafted eighth overall by the Padres in 2016. That is after Clevinger

makes his season debut Tuesday facing off against his friend, Zach Plesac. "It's going to be so great,"

said Padres pitching coach Ruben Niebla, who spent 21 years coaching in the Guardians organization.

Clevinger has hardly been able to contain his excitement. He was traded to the Guardians (then the Indians) by the Angels as a minor leaguer in 2014 and made his big-league debut in 2016. He figured he would spend his career in Cleveland, where he went 42-22 with a 3.30 ERA in 101 games.

— San Diego Union-Tribune

# ON THIS DATE

1869: Henry Chadwick published his first annual baseball handbook. The book eventually evolved into Spalding's Official Baseball Guide. 1869: The Cincinnati Red Stockings, the first all-professional team, played its first regular season game and beat the Great Westerns of Cincinnati 45-9. **1871:** The Fort Wayne Kekiongas beat the Cleveland Forest Citys, 2-0, in the first game played in the National Association. In the 127 games during the 1871 season, there were a total of four shutouts. 1910: The Browns and Cardinals played home games in St. Louis, and President Taft, not wanting to offend either club, saw parts of each game at Robinson Field and Sportsman's Park.

1939: Boston rookie Ted Williams became the first player to hit a home run that cleared the right field seats at Briggs Stadium in Detroit. It was his first at-bat at Detroit. The Red Sox edged the Tigers 7-6.

1944: Blacks were allowed to buy grandstand seats for the first time in St. Louis history. St. Louis was the last

of the major league clubs to integrate seating. Negroes had been restricted to the bleachers

1954: In a contest delayed 12 minutes by snow, the Braves, thanks to Warren Spahn's six-hitter, move out of last place when the team beats the Pirates and former teammate Max Surkont. 6-1. The reported temperature in Milwaukee dropped to 37 degrees

during the game.

1966: Willie Mays broke the NL- record with the 512th home run of his career in a 6-1 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers at Candlestick Park. Mays passed another Giant, breaking the mark established by Mel Ott in 1946. 1969: The Astros set an NL record by turning seven double plays against the San Francisco Giants. First baseman Curt Blefary participated in all seven 1975: Bob Watson of the Houston Astros, sensing baseball history, raced around the bases on Milt May's home run and crossed the plate at Candlestick Park in time to score major league baseball's 1 millionth run seconds ahead of Dave Concepcion of Cincinnati.

1980: White Sox first baseman Mike Squires caught the final inning of an 11-1 loss to the Brewers. He was the first left-handed catcher to play in major league baseball since Dale Long 1987: Candy Maldonado hit for the

St. Louis Cardinals 10-7. 1989: Junior Felix becomes the 53rd player in major league history to hit a home run in his first at-bat. The Blue Jay rookie's initial blast comes off California's Kirk McCaskill in a 10-inning loss to the Angels, 3-2.

cycle to help the San Francisco Giants

overcome a six-run deficit and beat the

1991: Chris James drove in nine runs with two homers and two singles, breaking Cleveland's club record for RBIs and leading the Indians to a 20-6 victory over the Oakland Athletics 1996: The Texas Rangers became the first American League team in 79 years to pitch consecutive one-hitters as Roger Pavlik held Detroit to a fifth-inning home run in a 3-1 win. Ken Hill one-hit Detroit on May 3, retiring the last 26 batters he faced. 2001: Raul Mondesi of the Blue Javs

went 4-for-4, with two homers, two doubles and six RBIs, leading Toronto to an 8-3 victory over Seattle.

2015: Toronto Blue Jays hitting coach Brook Jacoby was suspended 14 games for his postgame conduct toward the umpire crew assigned to the April 29 game at Boston. Jacoby was accused of pinning umpire Doug Eddings against a wall in a dugout tunnel at Fenway Park, putting his forearms up near the ump's neck following Toronto's loss.

2018: Dodger Rookie Walker Buehler and a trio of Los Angeles relievers combined for the franchise's 23rd no-hitter in a 4-0 victory over the San Diego Padres in the opener of a neutral-site series at Monterrey, Mexico. In just his third start in the majors. Buehler went six innings before Tony Cingrani, Yimi Garcia and Adam Liberatore closed it out. 2018: Angels slugger Albert Pujols got his 3,000th hit, reaching the mark with a broken-bat single in a 5-0 win against Seattle, Puiols joined Hank Aaron. Willie Mays and Alex Rodriguez as the only players in baseball history with 3.000 hits and 600 homers.

### **WNBA**

# **State Department declares Griner** wrongfully detained in Russia

**Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON - The Biden administration has determined that WNBA star Brittney Griner is being wrongfully detained in Russia, meaning the United States will more aggressively work to secure her release even as the legal case against her plays out, the State Department said Tuesday.

'The U.S. government will continue to undertake efforts to provide appropriate support to Ms. Griner," the department said.

Griner was detained at an airport in February after Russian authorities said a search of her bag revealed vape cartridges containing oil derived from cannabis. Since then, U.S.

officials had stopped short of classifying the Phoenix Mercury player as wrongfully detained and said instead that their focus was on ensuring that she had access in jail to American consular affairs officials.

Now, though, U.S. officials have shifted supervision of her case to a State Department section — the Office of the Special Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs — that is focused on negotiating for the release of hostages and other Americans classified as being wrongfully detained in other countries. A consular officer did visit in March

"Brittney has been detained for 75 days and our expectation is that the White House do whatever is necessary to bring her home," said Griner's agent, Lindsay Kagawa Colas.

The president of the WNBA players' union, Nneka Ogwumike, noted in a separate statement that "it has been 75 days that our friend, teammate, sister, Brittney Griner, has been wrongfully detained in Russia."

"It is time for her to come home," Ogwumike added. "Having learned that the U.S. government has now determined that BG is being wrongfully detained we are hopeful that their efforts will be significant, swift and successful."

It was unclear what prompted the shift in approach to Griner's case. though President Joe Biden's administration had



Brittney Griner has been detained in Russia since February. RICK SCUTERI/AP

been under pressure from members of Congress and others to make her release a priority.

The U.S. last week secured the release of Marine veteran Trevor Reed as part of a prisoner swap that also resulted in a convicted Russian drug trafficker being freed from prison in the U.S.

**BRUINS** 

# After Game 1 rout, solution for Game 2 is simple: Scoring

**By Kevin Paul Dupont** Boston Globe

RALEIGH, N.C. - The Bruins have some fixing to do, and in a hurry, after a 5-1 loss Monday night to the Hurricanes in their postseason First Night.

Once again, much to the frustration of the Bruins, the Canes were faster, more opportunistic, and much better at figuring out the basic objective of the sport: Generating ways to put the puck in the net.

Through four games this season, the Canes have outscored the Bruins, 21-2. No one has had the Bruins' number this season like them.

The distant sons of the Hartford "Forever .500" Whalers yet again scored first, and yet again never allowed the Bruins as much as one second of lead time.

So, the quick, short list of "fix its" prior to Game 2 here on Wednesday: Better action around the offensive net.

The list doesn't end there, but it was clearly the No. 1 problem. The one they fix or go home.

This is not a total shots issue. If that were the metric, the Bruins would be OK. They outshot the Canes, 36-25, but it did not translate to the scoreboard.

In fact, with 12:36 gone in the first, the Bruins landed their 14th shot on Canes backup Antti Raanta, while the Canes had placed only four on Linus Ullmark. Had they been able to keep up that kind of attack, perhaps by just sheer volume of shots, the outcome might have been different. Perhaps.

But the speedy Canes did not allow the Bruins another shot the remainder of the first. Then they struck for their two goals late in the second — 2:10 apart, by Seth Jarvis and Nino Niederreiter -with Ullmark having little chance of stopping either.

Jarvis made a tip near the right post on a Jaccob Slavin shot fired toward net from above the right-wing circle. Ullmark then didn't get eyes on the Niederreiter shot from above the left-wing circle, with Jordan Staal and Martin Necas each parked near the top of the crease.

As is so often the case at

Up next



in the series.

**Bruins at** Hurricanes 7 p.m., ESPN

goals — and a 1-0 advantage

"If you're standing in front, and the puck's not arriving there, it's pretty easy for them to push you out of the way," said Taylor Hall, who had the lone Bruins goal. "So if we can get a guy there, and he gets pushed out of the way, and then another guy comes in and creates a hard setup for them to pick up in their D zone . . . it's about hanging around there. I saw a lot of pucks that were really close to going in . . . can we get a guy there ... can we get a guy that stays there?"

Long ago, in a boisterous league that no longer exists, the post-game talk for the Bruins would have been how to generate traffic by racing a forward or two, sometimes all three, into the crease and roughing up the goalie.

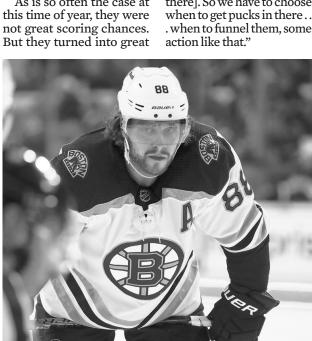
If said goalie got knocked dizzy, well, too bad . . . but that was the plan. Games and series could turn on knocking the goalie for a loop.

Such tactics in today's NHL would lead to nothing other than power plays. Not to mention maybe a hearing with Player Safety and possible supplemental discipline.

The Bruins have to figure an alternative method, which is to say they have to copy the Canes. They proved in Game 1, just by virtue of their total shots, they can get in there. Now, they have to find better ways to cash in those chances.

It will means screens, tips, and better retrievals of the few rebounds that Raanta makes available. They need to be quicker, smarter, more calculated and efficient with their chances.

"They're like us," noted coach Bruce Cassidy, encouraged by some of what he saw from his club. "Not many plays are going into the slot uncontested. We got Hall's goal because we won the battle below the goal line [Charlie McAvoy and Erik Haula digging back there]. So we have to choose when to get pucks in there... . when to funnel them, some



The Bruins' David Pastrnak waits for a face-off against the Hurricanes during the first period of Game 1 their first-round playoff series Monday in Raleigh, N.C. KARLB. DEBLAKER/AP

Harris English hopes to recover from hip surgery in time to defend his title at the Travelers Championship, June 20-26, at TPC River Highlands in Cromwell. ASHLEY LANDIS/AP

# **Amore**

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We fist-bumped a couple of times, him making a 6-footer, me making a 6-footer, him making an 8-footer, me making an 8-footer. We just went back and forth and that's what made it a lot of fun. We both brought a lot of intensity to it."

They played the 17th and 18th holes over and over, and with sunset coming at 8:37 p.m., there was time for one more hole before having to continue it the next day. English rolled in a birdie putt to win it on the eighth playoff hole. As the capped crowd of about 10,000 - nobody wanted to go home - roared its approval, the combatants shook hands and hugged.

It was one of the great moments in sports in 2021, reminding us that grace, dignity, class and sportsmanship are still out there, even amidst the fiercest competition.

"I knew Kramer a good bit before the playoff," English said. "He's a great guy, a great kid. I've seen him since then and we've had a couple of good laughs about it. Somebody had to win and we didn't give each other anything. We had to work for it, we had to grind for it. We both made some really clutch shots, clutch putts, and that's really all you want from a playoff. He can still hold his head high and know that he played really good golf and played good under pressure. I'm pulling for Kramer to get back in that situation again and pull it off."

There was another symbol in the moment. It was, and we say this with

appropriately crossed fingers, the last of COVID's intrusion into our state's large, annual summer picnic. The Travelers returns next month and there will be no crowd restrictions. Several of the top-10 golfers in the world will be back, and the charities who benefit from the tournament can again expect the full

As part of Tuesday's event, New Britain teenager Zaire Ramiz, an aspiring singer, told his story of fighting sickle cell anemia and the important role the Hole In The Wall Gang Camp in Ashford, where he is a senior camper, plays in his life. The camp has recovered from a devastating fire with the help of money raised by the tournament, which has contributed more than \$22 million to local charities since the Travelers became title sponsor in 2007.

The tournament went on in 2020 with zero attendance, one of the first events staged after the pandemic stopped the sports world. It was carried off last year with a 10,000-per-day cap in attendance.

Next month, tournament director Nathan Grube says, there could be more fans than there were in 2019.

The energy, I can already tell you, is going to be tremendous," Grube said. "People have missed it. It was not easy, the whole world was going through it. Especially in '20, everyone was watching to see how we were going to do it, and there was a responsibility, 'We better do this right.' It's such a relief to be talking about our field, ticket sales, things I didn't talk about for two years."

Tournament officials presented English with a Georgia football

helmet, his alma mater's team, signed by quarterback Stetson Bennett. English, 32, had been feeling the affects of a torn labrum and a bone spur since his college days. He has four wins on the Tour, two last year to crack the top 10, and is currently ranked 24th. He shut it down after the Sony Open in January to have surgery and hopes to put the hip pain behind him once and for all by the time the Travelers rolls around.

"It's a combo of having great memories that put a smile on your face," he said. "and it kind of warms your heart a little bit and you want to defend it. It is really hard to win a tournament backto-back years, you have an increase in focus and intensity. You know everybody's gunning for you."

The limited crowds adopted Hickok, chanted his name, and gained respect for English, who was playing like a seasoned pro as they battled toward sundown. Maybe this time they'll be sticking around and chanting for Harris English, just as well-suited for the good-guy role.

"I actually don't mind that," English said. "I actually feel it helps me when they're cheering for the other guy, helps me focus more. I didn't mind that at all. Kramer was the new guy, the unknown looking for his first win, and I had to make it tough on him. I couldn't just give it to him. He made an unbelievable putt on 18 to get into the playoff so I knew how bad he wanted it. We both gave it everything we had, somebody had to come out on top."

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# Lacrosse

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"Sometimes in these games, we are looking forward and we have a game on Wednesday, with a big matchup against Sheehan," he said. "Sometimes we start to look forward and our guys kind of lost focus a few times. We brought them back down to earth and they came back from it."

The three Wethersfield attackers combined for 16 goals with Ruck's eight, Colby Quinn's five and Will Bankowski's three. Ruck added three

"My offense did a heck of a job today," Cutkomp said. "They moved the ball really well."

"The boys are fired up and my teammates set me up with some great passes," Ruck said. "Our attack line is looking really good this year." Wethersfield had a

first-time starter in goal in Matthew Pacheco, who had a number of impressive saves.

"He put up his first W as a varsity player and that was huge for us," Cutkomp said. The Eagles felt the

overall physicality was the key to their victory. "It gets the boys going," Quinn said. "We like to play rough and we like

to play aggressive. It's all part of our game plan." Shreyas Laddha can be

reached at sladdha@ courant.com.



Cromwell girls basketball coach Kelly Maher, right, is congratulated by one of her players, Jessica Grodzicki, left, and after capturing her 300th victory in a game against Pomperaug in Cromwell Dec. 23, 2021. JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Cromwell coach Maher steps down after 15 years

**By Lori Riley** Hartford Courant

Cromwell High girls basketball coach Kelly Maher, whose teams won three state titles and over 300 games during her

15-year tenure, is stepping down. Maher, who has also been the athletic director at Cromwell High since 2016, said the athletic director's iob is becoming full-time

starting next school year. "It wasn't an easy decision," said Maher, who got her 300th career victory in December. "But going to 12

months, the expectation is you're at the games — we play the same nights as the boys — and the job demands have just changed so much in the athletic director role, it's just becoming too much."

Over 15 years, her career record is 315-65. The Panthers won state championships in 2013, 2016 and 2019, going undefeated in 2013 and 2016, and were state runners-up in 2011 and 2015. They won eight Shoreline Conference titles between 2010-19, including four straight between 2016-

Cromwell, which had a

19-6 record last season, lost in the Class M quarterfinals to eventual state runner-up Bacon Academy, 45-29.

Maher, who played for Cromwell and graduated in 1995, took over the girls basketball job in 2007 and went 15-11, the most losses she ever had in one season.

What she will miss most about the job?

Watching the kids grow up into the individuals that they become and hearing about them post-high school," Maher said.

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### **SCOREBOARD**

PLAYOFF SCHEDULE **EAST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS** (Best-of-7; x-if necessary) #1 Miami 1, #4 Philadelphia 0 May 2: Miami 106-92
Wednesday: at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Friday: at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Sunday: at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
x-May12: at Philadelphia, TBD
x-May12: at Philadelphia, TBD x-May 15: at at Miami, TBD

#3 Milwaukee 1, #2 Boston 0 May 1: Milwaukee 101-89 Tuesday: at Boston, late Saturday: at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m. Monday: at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m. x-May 11: at Boston, TBD x-May 13: at Milwaukee, TBD x-May 15: at Boston, TBD

WEST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS #1 Phoenix 1, #4 Dallas 0 May 2: Phoenix 121-114. Wednesday: at Phoenix, 10 p.m. Friday: at Dallas, 9:30 p.m. Sunday: at Dallas, 3:30 p.m. x-May 10: at Phoenix, TBD x-May 12: at Dallas, TBD x-May 15: at Phoenix, TBD

#3 Golden State 1. #2 Memphis 0 May 1: Golden State 117-116 Tuesday: at Memphis, late Saturday: at Golden State. 8:30 n.m. Monday: at Golden State, 10 pm. x-May 11: at Memphis, TBD x-May 13: at Golden State, TBD May 16: at Mephis, TBD

### KIA SIXTH MAN OF THE YEAR

VOTING	1	2	3	PT
Tyler Herro, Mia	96	2	2	488
Kevin Love, Cle	3	58	25	214
Cam Johnson, Phx	1	27	42	128
Jordan Clarkson, Utah	0	7	6	27
Luke Kennard, LAC	0	2	6	12
Bogdan Bogdanovic, Atl	0	3	1	10
Kelly Oubre Jr., Char	0	0	9	9
De'Anthony Melton, Mem	1 O	0	4	4
Montrezl Harrell, Char	0	1	0	3
Immanuel Quickley, NY	0	0	2	2
Brandon Clarke, Mem	0	0	1	1
Tyus Jones, Mem	0	0	1	1
Maxi Kleber (Dallas)	0	0	1	1
Voting for Sixth Man av panel of 100 sportswrit casters. Voting is on a S	ers a	and b	roa	

**RECENT SIXTH MEN OF THE YEAR 2021-22:** Tyler Herro, Miami 2020-21: Jordan Clarkson, Utah 2019-20: Montrezl Harrell, LA Clippers 2017-19: Lou Williams, LA Clippers 2016-17: Eric Gordon, Houston 2015-16: Jamal Crawford, LA Clippers 2014-15: Lou Williams, Toronto 2013-14: Jamal Crawford, LA Clippers 2012-13: J.R. Smith, New York 2011-12: James Harden, Oklahoma City 2010-11: Lamar Odom, L.A. Lakers 2009-10: Jamal Crawford, Atlanta 2008-09: Jason Terry, Dallas 2007-08: Manu Ginobili, San Antonio 2006-07: Leandro Barbosa, Phoenix 2005-06: Mike Miller, Memphis 2004-05: Ben Gordon, Chicago 2003-04: Antawn Jamison, Dallas 2002-03: Bobby Jackson, Sacramento 2001-02: Corliss Williamson, Detroit

### **CAREER PLAYOFF ASSISTS**

2000-01: Aaron McKie, Philadelphia

PLAYER	AST	APG	G	MN			
Magic Johnson	2346	12.3	190	7538			
LeBron James	1919	7.2	266	11035			
John Stockton	1839	10.1	182	6398			
Jason Kidd	1263	8.0	158	6088			
Chris Paul	1144	8.4	136	4994			
Tony Parker	1143	5.1	226	7758			
Rajon Rondo	1136	8.5	134	4559			
Larry Bird	1062	6.5	164	6886			
Steve Nash	1061	8.8	120	4289			
Scottie Pippen	1048	5.0	208	8105			
Kobe Bryant	1040	4.7	220	8641			
Michael Jordan	1022	5.7	179	7474			
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### **WNBA**

REGULAR SEASON SCHEDULE FRIDAY'S GAMES

Indiana at Washington, 7p.m. Los Angeles at Chicago, 8p.m Las Vegas at Phoenix, 10p.m. Minnesota at Seattle, 10p.m.

Connecticut at New York, 6p.m

SATURDAY'S GAMES

SUNDAY'S GAMES

# Los Angeles at Indiana, 3p.m. Washington at Minnesota, 8p.m.

HORSE RACING

PP. HORSE (JOCKEY)

148TH KENTUCKY DERBY Post position draw for Saturday's field at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky.; with jockey and odds from the rail out: Distance; 1-1/4 miles (10 furlongs; 2,012 m); Surface: Dirt Race 12. Stakes Purse \$3,000,000. For 3-Year-Olds, Colt, With An Entry Fee Of \$25,000 Each And A Starting Fee Of \$25,000 Each.

1. Mo Donegal (Irad Ortiz Jr.) 2. Hanny Jack (Rafael Beiarano) 30-1 3. Epicenter (Joel Rosario) 7-2 4. Summer's Tomorrow (Mickael Barzalona) 30-1 5. Smile Happy (Corey Lanerie) 20-1 6. Messier (John Velazquez) 8-1 7. Crown Pride (Christophe Lemaire) 20-1 8. Charge It (Luis Saez) 20-1 9. Tiz The Bomb (Brian Hernandez Jr.)
10. Zandon (Flavien Prat) 11. Pioneer of Medina (Joe Bravo) 30-1 12. Taiba (Mike Smith)
13. Simplification (Jose Ortiz) 14. Barber Road (Rey Gutierrez) 15. White Abarrio (Tyler Gaffalione) 16. Cyberknife (Florent Geroux) 17. Classic Causeway (Julien Leparoux) 30-1 18. Tawny Port (Ricardo Santana Jr.)
19. Zozos (Manny Franco) Also eligible 21. Rich Strike (Sonny Leon)
22. Rattle N Roll (James Graham)

Trainers: 1. Todd Pletcher: 2. Doug F. O'Neill, 3. Steve Asmussen; 4. Bhupat Seemar; 5. Kenneth G. McPeek; 6. Tim Yakteen: 7. Koichi Shintani: 8. Todd Pletcher; 9. Kenneth G. McPeek; 10. Chad C. Brown; 11. Todd Pletcher; 12. Tim Yakteen: 13. Antonio Sano: 14. John Alexander Ortiz; 15. Saffie A. Joseph, Jr.; 16. Brad H. Cox; 17. Brian Lynch; 18. Brad h. Cox: 19. Brad H. Cox: 20. D. Wayne Lukas; 21. Eric R. Reed; 22. Kenneth G. McPeek.

### ODDS MLB WEDNESDAY NATIONAL LEAGUE LINE UNDERDOG **FAVORITE**

at NY Mets	-125	Atlanta	+105
at Milwaukee	-231	Cincinnati	+190
at Colorado	-139	Washington	+118
at LA Dodgers	off	San Francisco	off
AMERICAN LEA	AGUE		
at Houston	-166	Seattle	+140
Tampa Bay	-130	at Oakland	+110
Minnesota	-133	at Baltimore	+113
NY Yankees	-115	at Toronto	-105
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STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS FIRST ROUND EASTERN CONFERENCE Carolina 1, Boston 0 May 2: Carolina 5-1.

Wednesday: at Carolina, 7 p.m.

Friday: at Boston, 7 p.m.

Sunday: at Boston, 12:30 p.m.

x-May 10: at Carolina, TBD

x-May 12: at Boston, TBD

x-May 14: at Carolina, TBD x-May 14: at Carolina, TBD

N.Y. Rangers vs. Pittsburgh Tuesday: at N.Y. Rangers, late Thursday: at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m. Saturday: at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m. Monday: at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m. x-May 11: at N.Y. Rangers, TBD x-May 13: at Pittsburgh, TBD x-May 15: at N.Y. Rangers, TBD

Toronto 1, Tampa Bay 0 May 2: Toronto 5-0. Wednesday: at Toronto, 7:30 p.m. Friday: at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. Sunday: at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m. x-May 10: at Toronto, TBD x-May 12: at Tampa Bay, TBD x-May 14: at Toronto, TBD

Florida vs. Washington Tuesday: at Florida, late Thursday: at Florida, 7:30 p.m. Saturday: at Washington, 1 p.m. Monday: at Washington, 7 p.m. x-May 11: at Florida, TBD x-May 13: at Washington, TBD x-May 15: at Florida, TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE Calgary vs. Dallas
Tuesday: at Calgary, late
Thursday: at Calgary, 10 p.m.
Saturday: at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.
Monday: at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.
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Sunday: at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.
x-May 10: at Edmonton, TBD x-May 12: at Los Angeles, TBD x-May 14: at Edmonton, TBD

Colorado vs. Nashville Tuesday: at Colorado, late Thursday: at Colorado, 9:30 p.m. Saturday: at Nashville, 4:30 n.m. Monday: at Nashville, 9:30 p.m x-May 11: at Colorado, TBD x-May 13: at Nashville, TBD x-May 15: Nashville at Colorado, TBD

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### **TENNIS**

**MUTUA MADRID OPEN** At Caja Magica, Madrid, Red-clay-out MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32

#1 Novak Djokovic d. Gael Monfils, 6-3, 6-2. #6 Andrey Rublev d. Jack Draper, 2-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Carlos Alcaraz d. Nikoloz Basilashvili, 6-3, 7-5. Andy Murray d. Denis Shapovalov,

MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 64 #12 Hubert Hurkacz d. Hugo Dellien,

7-5, 6-7(11), 6-3. Sebastian Korda d.#15 Reilly Opelka, 6-3, 7-5. Botic Van de Zandschulp d. #16 Pablo Carreno Busta, 6-7(6), 7-6(1), 6-3. Marin Cilic, Croatia, d.

Albert Ramos-Vinolas, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4. Roberto Bautista Agut d. Jenson Brooksby, 6-0, 6-2, Miomir Kecmanovic d. Alexander Bublik, 6-4, 7-5.

Cristian Garin d. Frances Tiafoe. WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16 Anhelina Kalinina d.

#9 Emma Raducanu, 6-2, 2-6, 6-4, #12 Jessica Pegula d. Bianca Andreescu, 7-5, 6-1, Jil Teichmann d. #16 Elena Rybakina, 6-3, 6-1.

Sara Sorribes Tormo d. Daria Kasatkina, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.

WTA L' OPEN 35 DE SAINT MALO At Saint Malo, France; clay-outdoors WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32 Mayar Sherif d. Mai Hontama

Bernarda Pera d. Ocean Dodin. 6-4. 6-4. Beatriz Haddad Maia d. Madison Inglis, 6-2, 6-0.

Laura Pigossi d. Kamilla Rakhimova,6-3, 6-1. Fiona Ferro d. Monica Puig. 2-1, retired. Magdalena Frech d. Leolia Jeanj Diane Parry d. Eri Hozumi, 6-1, 6-2,

Maryna Zanevska d. Jaimee Fourlis, 2-6, 7-5, 7-6(4). Elsa Jacquemot d. Estelle Cascino,

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**WORLD RANKINGS** 

1. Scottie Scheffler

2. Jon Rahm 3. Collin Morikawa

4. Patrick Cantlay 5. Cameron Smith 6. Viktor Hovland

7. Rory McIlrov

8. Justin Thomas 9. Jordan Spieth

10. Dustin Johnson

11. Sam Burns 12. Xander Schauffele

13. Hideki Matsuvama

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**MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER** 

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Orlando City	5	3	2	17	12	11
CF Montréal	4	3	2	14	16	18
New York City FC	4	3	1	13	19	10
Columbus	3	3	3	12	13	9
Atlanta	3	4	2	11	11	13
Toronto FC	3	4	2	11	16	19
New England	3	5	1	10	14	16
Charlotte FC	3	6	1	10	9	13
Cincinnati	3	5	1	10	11	17
Inter Miami CF	3	5	1	10	9	18
Chicago	2	3	4	10	6	7
D.C. United	3	5	0	9	10	13
WESTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	7	1	1	22	21	8
Austin FC	6	1	2	20	22	8
LA Galaxy	5	3	1	16	10	7
FC Dallas	4	1	4	16	14	7
Real Salt Lake	4	2	4	16	10	13
Minnesota United		3	2	14	11	8
Houston	3	3	3	12	12	11
Colorado	3	3	3	12	11	11
Nashville	3	3	3	12	9	10
Portland	2	3	5	11	10	15
Sporting KC	2	6	2	8	8	16
Seattle	2	4	1	7	9	11
San Jose	1	5	3	6	15	23
Vancouver	1	6	1	4	6	17

**WEDNESDAY'S MATCH** 

SATURDAY'S MATCHES Miami at Charlotte FC, 3:30p.m. Orlando City at CF Montréal, 4p.m. Chicago at Atlanta, 6p.m.
Portland at N.Y. Red Bulls, 7p.m. Sporting KC at New York City FC, 7p.m. Houston at D.C. United, 7:30p.m. Columbus at New England, 7:30p.m. Cincinnati at Minnesota, 8p.m. Seattle at FC Dallas, 8:30p.m. Colorado at San Jose, 10p.m. Philadelphia at Los Angeles FC, 11p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES Toronto FC at Vancouver, 4n.m. Real Salt Lake at Nashville, 5p.m. LA Galaxy at Austin FC, 7p.m.

NWSL						
TEAM	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Gotham FC	1	0	0	3	3	0
Portland	1	0	0	3	3	0
Angel CityFC	1	0	0	3	2	1
Chicago	1	0	0	3	2	1
Washington	1	0	0	3	2	1
San Diego FC	1	0	0	3	1	0
North Carolina	0	1	0	0	1	2
OL Reign	0	1	0	0	1	2
Louisville	0	1	0	0	1	2
Houston	0	1	0	0	0	1
Kansas City	0	1	0	0	0	3
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Three points for victory, one for tie. **NWSL CHALLENGE CUP** WEDNESDAY'S SEMIFINALS OL Reign vs. Washington, 8 p.m. North Carolina vs. Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.

REGULAR SEASON SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Portland at North Carolina, 7 p.m. Washington at Chicago, 8 p.m. Gotham FC at San Diego, 10 p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES Houston at Kansas City, 5p.m. Louisville at OL Reign, 6p.m. Orlando at Angel City FC, 8p.m.

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Man United	36	161	0	10	57	52	58
West Ham	35	15	7	13	53	46	52
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Newcastle	35	1110	0	14	40	56	43
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Crystal Palace	34	914	4	11	45	42	41
Aston Villa	33	12	4	17	44	46	40
Brentford	35	11	7	17	41	52	40
Southampton	35	91	3	13	41	58	40
Burnley	34	71	3	14	31	46	34
Leeds	34	81	0	16	38	72	34
Everton	33	9 !	5	19	35	55	32
Watford	34	6 4	4	24	32	69	22
Norwich	34	5 (	6	23	22	71	21

SATURDAY'S MATCHES Brentford vs. Southampton, 10a.m. Burnley vs. Aston Villa, 10a.m. Chelsea vs. Wolverhampton, 10a.m. Crystal Palace vs. Watford, 10a.m. Brighton vs. Man United. 12:30n.m. Liverpool vs. Tottenham, 2:45p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES Arsenal vs. Leeds, 9a.m. Leicester vs. Everton, 9a.m. Norwich vs. West Ham, 9a.m

Man City vs. Newcastle, 11:30a.m. **UEFA CHAMPIONS LEAGUE** 

Tuesday's second leg Liverpool 3, Villarreal Liverpool advanced on 5-2 aggregate

Wednesday's second leg Man City (4)vs. Real Madrid (3), 3 p.m.

CHAMPIONSHIP, Saturday, May 28

At Saint-Denis, France
Liverpool (England) vs.
Real Madrid/Manchester City, 3 p.m.

**PGA FEDEX CUP LEADERS** 

RK. GOLFER

1. Scottie Scheffler

Steven Alker has three wins and three runner-up finishes in his last nine PGA Tour Champions events. ROSS D. FRANKLIN/AP

**GOLF** ON THE FRINGE

# Alker is cashing in on golf's greatest mulligan

Veteran enjoying 'second career' on Champions tour

By Doug Ferguson Associated Press

If you didn't know much about pro golfer Steven Alker before he turned 50, there's a reason. Alker endured three decades of limited success. He played 556 tournaments across six tours and never made more than \$261,901. That was on the Korn Ferry Tour. One year he missed the cut in all 21 tournaments he played. But the New Zealand native has found new life on the PGA Tour Champions. He got into his first event as a qualifier and then had six straight top-10 finishes to keep playing. Now he has three wins and almost as much prize money as the previous 20 years combined.

Steven Alker knows all about the lean

He started at home in New Zealand in 1989 and over the next three decades played 556 times on six tours that received world ranking points. Only three seasons were spent on the PGA Tour. He had two full vears in Europe.

His most financially rewarding year was in 2014 when he earned \$261,901 on what is now the Korn Ferry Tour. Alker has been around so long he played the developmental circuit under five names, starting with the Nike Tour.

His most consistent golf? That would have been on the Canadian tour in 2000 when he finished in the top 12 in seven out of eight tournaments.

Alker won the Louisiana Open in 2002 (it was the Buy.com Tour back then) and reached a career-high No. 191 in the world ranking.

"A lot of slogging and hard yards for a long time," Alker said Monday night from his home in Arizona as he tried to soak up an amazing run of success that was a long time coming.

"I just tried to stay in the game." And now the 50-year-old Kiwi is on top of the PGA Tour Champions.

His latest feat was returning from a two-hour rain delay in Houston and making four birdies and an eagle during a six-hole stretch on the back nine that left Steve Stricker too far behind to catch him in the Insperity Invitational.

Stricker nearly pulled off a remarkable comeback, having not played in six months because of a mysterious illness that hospitalized him and caused him to lose 25 pounds.

For Alker, this is more like a fresh start. Houston was his second win this year he also has two playoff losses — and he took over the lead in the Charles Schwab Cup

finishes in his last nine tournaments. If the PGA Tour Champions is the greatest mulligan in golf, no one is cashing in

standings. Throw in the end of last year and

Alker has three wins and three runner-up

quite like Alker. "I'm enjoying my second career," he said with a laugh.

In just 17 starts since he turned 50 last summer, Alker has earned \$2,202,168. Now consider that he made \$2,318,866 in his 390 starts combined on the PGA Tour and Korn

Life was hard. And now life is very good. Alker still has no answers for this stark turnaround except that he's never had this much fun and he never lost his love for the game.

"It's a combination of everything," he said. "The whole change in atmosphere, a different tour, a new chapter in my career. My game came around at the right time."

Timing, indeed, was everything. Alker did well enough on the Korn Ferry Tour in 2019 — he narrowly finished in the top 75 — to keep full status the following year, which turned into a two-year season because no one lost status during the fourmonth shutdown caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

That allowed him to keep playing - to stay in the game — right up until he turned

"That was very important. I could plan a schedule and keep playing," he said. "I started working hard on the body, got myself golf fit. My plan was to do some Monday qualifying and then do Champions tour (qualifying) school. And the rest

He got through Monday qualifying for his Champions debut in the Boeing Classic last August, shot 67 the final day and tied for seventh. The top 10 got him into the next week, and he finished third. Four more top 10s followed, and Alker played his way into the postseason and eventually won to secure a full card.

# **IN BRIEF**

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# Liverpool makes it back to final

Liverpool rallied after an early scare to defeat Villarreal 3-2 and advance to its third Champions League final in five seasons on Tuesday.

Villarreal looked on its way to another stunning upset after opening a two-goal lead in the first half to offset its 2-0 firstleg loss in England, but the modest Spanish club couldn't keep up and Liverpool came from behind to advance 5-2 on aggregate.

After Boulaye Dia and Francis Coquelin put Villarreal ahead by the 41st minute, Fabinho, substitute Luis Díaz and Sadio Mané scored in the second half to propel Liverpool into the final for the first time since winning its sixth European title in 2019.

Based in a city of 50,000 people in southern Spain, Villarreal had eliminated Juventus in the round of 16 and Bayern Munich in the quarterfinals. Unai Emery's team played a man down

assisted on both Villarreal's goals, was sent off with a second yellow card. Liverpool will play the May 28 final in Paris against either Premier League rival Manchester City or 13-time European

champion Real Madrid. They will meet on

Wednesday in Madrid with City defending

from the 86th after Étienne Capoue, who

a 4-3 win from the first leg in England. The victory also keeps alive Liverpool's hopes of a "quadruple" - winning all four

major trophies in one season. ■ FIFA extended an investigation into alleged systematic sexual abuse of underage players in Gabon by spreading suspensions to four soccer officials on Tuesday. FIFA said its ethics committee opened formal proceedings against Patrick Assoumou Evi. league official Serge Mombo and coaches

Triphel Mabicka and Orphée Mickala. Eyi is a former national under-17 team coach who is accused of raping boys. The investigation was opened after British daily The Guardian in December reported statements by alleged victims. They said they were lured to Eyi's home which he called the "Garden of Eden."

**NFL:** Sleepless nights. Rewinding the loss in his mind over and over again. Therapy sessions as well. And weeks and weeks of time. Ryan Tannehill has lost big games before. Losing as the AFC's No. 1 seed with the Titans quarterback throwing three interceptions — the last with 20 seconds left — left him with a "deep scar." "I was in a dark place, and it took me a while and a lot of work to get out of it," Tannehill said Tuesday, talking with reporters for the first time since the Titans' 19-16 loss to the Cincinnati Bengals on Jan. 22. Tannehill said he's used therapy for a while in his career. "This is the first time that ... I absolutely needed it to pull me out of a dark space," Tannehill said. Tennessee fans have made Tannehill the scapegoat for the loss, angry at missing the franchise's first Super Bowl in 22 years. It didn't help that Cincinnati wound up the AFC champ after beating Tennessee on a last-second field goal set up by Tannehill's third interception.

College hockey: Michigan State has hired hockey coach Adam Nightingale, a former player for the Spartans player who led USA Hockey's development program for two years and was a Detroit Red Wings assistant for a season. Athletic director Alan Haller made the announcement Tuesday. Nightingale replaces Danton Cole, another ex-Michigan State hockey player, after he was 58-101-12 over five seasons.

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source: pgatour.com

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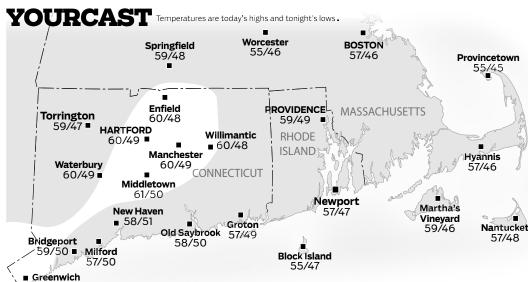
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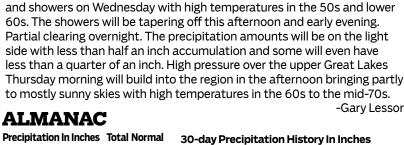
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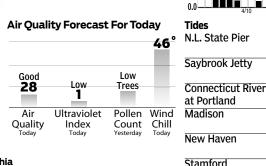
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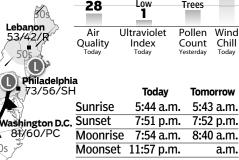
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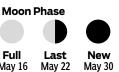
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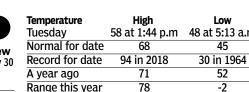
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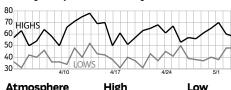
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# AROUND THE WORLD Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

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**MONDAY'S LATE HIGH** 

WP: Sam Beaudoin. LP: Dalton Wright. Rec.: S-4-6; WL-5-6. Note: Beaudoin tossed a shutout with 10

strikeouts, 2 walks, Nick Gomes had a double, 2 RBI

for Suffield. Chris Duquette and Allen Hinckley each had 2 hits for Windsor Locks.

WP: Tamara Lopez. LP: Daisy Garriga. Rec.: I—3-4;

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 13, WINDSOR 1
Goals: NWC—Charlotte Brenner (4), Alina Cote (3),

Elizabeth LeBlanc (3). Ali Guver (2). Lauren Smith: W—Sofia Alessi. Saves: NWC—Gabby Hutchinson, 9; W—Charlotte Michaud and Kennedy Cramer, 12.

MALONEY 3, HALL 2 (22-25, 21-25, 25-23, 25-21,

M: Dev Patel, 19 digs, 12 kills, 3 aces, Onil Carrion.

34 assists, 2 aces; **H:** Andrew Chang, 16 digs, Liam Hosey, 13 kills. Rec.: **M**—4-6; **H**—5-5.

**SCHOOL RESULTS** 

SUFFIELD 3, WINDSOR LOCKS 0

INNOVATION 8, WEAVER 7 (4)

GIRLS LACROSSE

Rec.: **NWC-**1-6: **W-**0-8.

**BOYS VOLLEYBALL** 

**TUESDAY'S HIGH** 

**WETHERSFIELD 6, NEWINGTON 5** 

of scoreless relief with 6 strikeouts.

CONARD 14, BLOOMFIELD CO-OP 4 (5)

LEWIS MILLS 8, ENFIELD 2

STAFFORD 12, BOLTON 0 (5)

MORGAN 4. CROMWELL 1

HAND 4. GUILFORD 3

AMITY 2, CHESHIRE 1

BA 741-0x-12-10-0

SMSA 11. INNOVATION 1 (6)

SHEEHAN 15. WRIGHT TECH 4 (5)

hits, 4 RBI.

S241-103-11-7-3

**ECC** 

OLD LYME 8, COGINCHAUG 3
PORTLAND 5, WESTBROOK 3

LM 300-210-**2—**8-11-1 E 001-010-**0—**2-10-3

a triple for Enfield.

B301-00-4-4-4

B 000-00-0-2-3 S 264-**0**x**-**12-6-0

**BRISTOL CENTRAL 1. BRISTOL EASTERN 0** 

WP: Nate Pirog. LP: Mike Roalf. Rec.: BC—4-7; BE—3-7. Note: Pirog retired the first 12 batters he faced and had 6 strikeouts. Frank Spirito pitched 2 innings

WP: Jayden Longdin. LP: Bryce DiPiero. Rec.: LM—8-

3: E-6-4. Note: Thomas O'Connell was 2-for-3 with

3 runs scored and Ben Rewenko had a 2 doubles, 4 RBI for Lewis Mills. Brandon Rowe was 2-for-3 with

WP: Jacob Henretta. LP: Cooper Ashmore. Rec.: C-9-3; B-2-8.
SOUTHINGTON 15, SOUTH WINDSOR 2

WP: Attley Stevens. LP: Jack Werhle. Rec.: S-9-4:

B—0-11. Note: Stevens had 9 strikeouts. Collin Gudeman was 3-for-3 with 6 RBI.

CTC
PRINCE TECH AT GOODWIN TECH, PPD.

**BACON ACADEMY 12, PUTNAM 0 (5)** 

WP: Jacob Ambrose. LP: Jacob Mailloux. Rec.: BA—12-1; P—2-10. Note: Ambrose (2-0) tossed a

complete game 4-hitter with 7 strikeouts, 1 walk, Andrew Navickas and Alex Blanchette each had 2

WP: Rory Mayer. LP: Adam Renta. Rec.: S—7-5; I—5-6. Note: Mayer struck out 10 and had a double,

2 RBI at the plate, Aiden McCarthy was 2-for-4 with

an RBI, 4 runs scored for SMSA. Renta had a double,

SCHOOL RESULTS

SOFTBALL

1204-2-8-1-1

W-3-5.

CCC-Central

CCC-West

BASEBALL

BC 001-000-**0**—1-5-1 BE 000-000-**0**—0-4-2

CCC-North

W 311-2-7-1-2

Salt Lake City 58 45 PC 88 72 PC Miami Beach San Antonio 51 38 PC Milwaukee San Diego KEY: S Sunny, C Cloudy, PC Partly Cloudy, R Rain, SH Showers, SN Snow, SF Snow Flurries, T T-storms

> XAVIER 10, NFA 0 (6) **SOFTBALL** SOUTHINGTON 12, NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 0

MIDDLETOWN 23, BLOOMFIELD 0 (5) M (13)23-**05-**23-8-0 WP: Emily Pulino. LP: Taraji Larmond. Rec.: M-2-8; -4-8. Note: Pulino had 11 strikeouts. HALL 15, LEWIS MILLS 0 **WP:** Sophie Garner-MacKinnon. **LP:** Madison Bertrand. Rec.: **H**—10-1; **LM**—1-11.

MALONEY 5. WINDSOR 2 SIMSBURY 14, HARTFORD PUBLIC 0 (5)

**COVENTRY 8. CANTON 1** 

CO 016-000-**1**—8-9-1 CA 100-000-**0**—1-1-1

WP: Elizabeth Mitchell. LP: Alice Butterfield. Rec.: CO—11-2; CA—7-4. Note: Mitchell had 15 strikeouts. STAFFORD 3, BOLTON 0

HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH 17, VALLEY REGIONAL 7 VR 011-400-1-7-7-2 HK 148-211-x—17-17-2
WP: Brooke Hickman. LP: Anna Benson. HR: HK—
Cheyenne LaTouche, Annabelle Zajac, Ivy McNiel,

Caley Napoletano; VR-Sammy Pierce. Rec.: **HK**-13-1; **VR**-5-8. **Note:** Napoletano had a grand slam, 6 RBI. Kaleigh Bodak and Bella Richwine each had 3 hits for H-K. Pierce had 4 hits, including a

**CROMWELL 14, MORGAN 0** NORTH BRANFORD 12, EAST HAMPTON 0 OLD LYME 5, COGINCHAUG 3

CHESHIRE 13, MERCY 1

WINDHAM 8, BACON ACADEMY 3 BA 000-003-0-3-3-6

W 203-300-x-8-7-3 WP: Analise Escarraman. LP: Sammi D'Atri. Rec.: W-8-4; BA-2-10. Note: Escarraman tossed a complete game with 12 strikeouts and was 3-for-3 with 2 doubles, 3 RBI. Aniah Jenkins had 2 hits, 2 runs scored. Ava McCarvill had a double, 2 RBI for

ELLINGTON 8, ST. PAUL 0

SP 000-000-**0**-0-2-0 E 230-021-**x**-8-8-0 WP: Camryn Fisher. LP: Gillian Smith. Rec.: E-10-1; SP-4-10. Note: Fisher tossed a 2-hit shutout with 12 strikeouts. Keyleigh Flaherty was 4-for-4 with 3 runs scored, 3 stolen bases for Ellington.

WEAVER 25, HMTCA 4 (5) H 112-**00—**4-5-1 W 3(16)6-**0x—**25-4-2

WP: Daisy Garriga. LP: Megan Lamphere. Rec.: W-4-5; H-1-10. EAST WINDSOR/SMSA 13, UNIVERSITY/CLASSICAL

WOLCOTT AT BRISTOL CENTRAL, PPD.

**BOYS LACROSSE** 

CCC-Inter

**AVON 15, SOUTH WINDSOR 7 ELLINGTON 10. GRANBY 7** ROCKVILLE CO-OP 11, SUFFIELD/WINDSOR LOCKS **CANTON 16, SOMERS 12** 

OLD LYME 16, MORGAN 9 **HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH 10, VALLEY REGIONAL 3** 

NORWICH TECH/WINDHAM TECH 11, VINAL TECH/ **GOODWIN TECH 3** 

EAST LYME 19. WINDSOR 0

# **GIRLS LACROSSE**

**SOUTH WINDSOR 10, HALL 8** Goals: SW—Kayden Burke (3), Carly Pitruzzello (3), Maliya Haddock (2), Hailey Deptula, Callie Spika; H—Emma Keller (3), Talia Sortman (3), Grace

Rocheleau, Farrah Jones. Saves: SW—Ciara Styles, 6; H—Talia Leshem, 6. Rec.: SW—7-1; H—4-6. SOUTHINGTON 20, AVON 13

**TOLLAND 16, RHAM 7** Goals: T—Marena Morales (8), Allison Cyr (3), Kaia Joffray (2), Mollie Pacheco (2), Avery Greene; R— Ciara Murray, Eva Morelli-Wolfe, Cali Thibodeau, Maggie Walker, Grace Shadtle, Kaylee Macca, Diana Zito. Rec.: **T**-6-3; **R**-2-7. **NEWINGTON 18, ROCKY HILL 10 BERLIN 15. NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 14** 

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BRISTOL EASTERN 18, LEWIS MILLS 5 WETHERSFIELD 12, E.O. SMITH 7 NCCC

CANTON 11. SOMERS 9 Goals: C—Heather Delbone (6), Mary DeRitis (2), Avery Brown (2), Gabby DelSanto; S-Jamie Anthony (4), Caroline Colton (3), Josie Smith, Ashley Birkenshaw. **Saves: C**—Ava Dakin, 13; **S**—Kayla Brown and Elena Riggins, 12. Rec.: **C**—7-2; **S**—2-7-1. **ELLINGTON 7. GRANBY 5** 

Shoreline MORGAN 9, OLD LYME 6

Goals: M—Cailin Steahle (3), Maeve Madura (3), Brooke Carlisle (2), Alexis Shields; OL—Sydney Goulding (2), Ella Curtiss-Reardon (2), Emily Mesham, Caroline Crolius. Saves: M—Marin Stop-koski, 9; OL—Kylie Dishaw, 7. Rec.: M—2-8; OL—3-7. VALLEY REGIONAL 19, HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH 6

BRANFORD 17, MERCY 5
Goals: B—Tess Ferrie (5), Jenny Spencer (4), Ally Colburn (3), Raiyn Fries (2), Nina Shamas, Julia McHenry, Taylor Tracy; **M**—Maddy Carbone (2), Lily Schoonmaker (2), Mackenzie Kelley. Saves: B-Ellie Galdenzi, 12; M-Callia Borkowski, 12. Rec.: B-4-6;

M-1-9. GUILFORD 15, HAND 14

BACON ACADEMY 15, WOODSTOCK ACADEMY 7

# **BOYS VOLLEYBALL**

XAVIER 3, SOUTH WINDSOR 1 (21-25, 25-10, 25-22,

Others

**SOUTHINGTON 3. PUTNAM 0** 

25-22) X: Peter O'Brien 20 digs, 18 kills, Rory McCormack,

28 digs, 13 kills; **SW:** Aidan lacovelli, 22 assists, 5 aces, 5 digs, Andrew Bell, 5 digs, 1 ace. Rec.: **X**—9-4;

**BOYS GOLF** 

BRISTOL CENTRAL 170, BRISTOL EASTERN 234

Medalist: Scott Petrosky, Bristol Central, 34 at Chip-panee CC, Bristol. PLAINVILLE AT MIDDLETOWN, PPD.

EAST CATHOLIC 172, MANCHESTER 198
Medalist: Cole Huyler, Manchester, 39 at Manches **TOLLAND 163, E.O. SMITH 168** 

COVENTRY 164, SMSA/HMTCA 220 Medalist: Dylan Toombs, Coventry, 40 at Skungamaug River GC, Coventry.

Shoreline HALE-RAY 196, OLD LYME 208 Medalist: Luke Karpiej, Hale-Ray, 37 at Black Hall Club, Old Lyme. COGINCHAUG 185. OLD SAYBROOK 189

NORTH BRANFORD 176, MORGAN 192 WOLCOTT TECH 218, GOODWIN TECH 252 KAYNOR TECH 243, PRINCE TECH 309

Medalist: Reece Scott, Hand, 38 at Portland GC. FAIRFIELD PREP 150, CHESHIRE 158

ST. PAUL 166, WATERBURY CO-OP 189 Medalist: Matt Downes, St. Paul, 34 at Chippanee CC, Bristol. **GRANBY 186, UNIVERSITY 292** 

MALONEY 195, WILCOX TECH 207, PLATT 209 WOODSTOCK ACADEMY 166, ELLIS TECH 183, VINAL TECH 217 EAST LYME 179, VALLEY REGIONAL 201

# GIRLSGOLF

ST. PAUL 143, MERCY 200

HAND 169, XAVIER 177

WETHERSFIELD 195, SOUTH WINDSOR 247 **Medalist:** Sarah Morrissey, Wethersfield, 45 at Wethersfield CC. **NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 209, CONARD 213** 

CCC-Inter
Hall 189, Berlin 192 **Medalist:** Samantha Dunn, Berlin, 39 at Rockledge GC, West Hartford. GLASTONBURY 180, FARMINGTON 284

Medalist: Iliana Chapinski, St. Paul, 31 at Portland GC.

BOYSTRACK & FIELD BRISTOL CENTRAL 103, PLAINVILLE 47

AVON 79, CONARD 71

EAST WINDSOR 99, SMSA 13 EAST WINDSOR 91, CIVIC LEADERSHIP 27 EAST WINDSOR 91, CIVIC LEADERSHI EAST WINDSOR 85, COVENTRY 49 COVENTRY 77, SMSA 24 COVENTRY 70, CIVIC LEADERSHIP 46 CIVIC LEADERSHIP 41, SMSA 25

# GIRLSTRACK & FIELD

CCC-South BRISTOL CENTRAL 99, PLAINVILLE 47 CONARD 110, AVON 40 **GLASTONBURY 93, HALL 57** 

COVENTRY 110, SMSA 9
COVENTRY 110, CIVIC LEADERSHIP 5
COVENTRY 90, EAST WINDSOR 33 EAST WINDSOR 80, SMSA 15 EAST WINDSOR 72, CIVIC LEADERSHIP 18 CIVIC LEADERSHIP 36, SMSA 26

# BOYSTENNIS

CCC-South LEWIS MILLS 5, BRISTOL EASTERN 2 CCC-East SOUTH WINDSOR 7, TOLLAND 0

HALL 5, FARMINGTON 2 AVON 7, CONARD 0 SIMSBURY 4, SOUTHINGTON 3

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 5, ROCKY HILL 2 BERLIN 7, NEWINGTON 0
PLATT/MALONEY 6, MANCHESTER 1 **GRANBY 5, ELLINGTON 2** 

Shoreline MORGAN 6. CROMWELL 1 EAST HAMPTON 6, OLD SAYBROOK 1 OLD LYME 7, COGINCHAUG 0 LYMAN HALL 6, CAREER 1 CHESHIRE 4, LAW 3

### **GIRLSTENNIS** CCC-North ROCKY HILL 7, WINDSOR 0

CCC-East

CCC-South BRISTOL CENTRAL 6. MIDDLETOWN 1 **BRISTOL EASTERN 6, LEWIS MILLS 1** 

TOLLAND 6, SOUTH WINDSOR 1 ENFIELD 4, MANCHESTER 3
EAST CATHOLIC 7, E.O. SMITH 0 CCC-West
FARMINGTON 7, HALL 0 AVON 7, CONARD 0 CCC-Inter
EAST HARTFORD 5, NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 2 ELLINGTON 4, GRANBY 3 BOLTON 5, EAST GRANBY 2

OLD SAYBROOK 4, EAST HAMPTON 3 **OLD LYME 6. COGINCHAUG 1** CROMWELL 4, MORGAN 3

SHEEHAN 5, SHELTON 2

LYMAN HALL 5, WILCOX TECH 2

**WEDNESDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE** ALL GAMES AT 3:45 P.M. UNLESS NOTED

# BASEBALL

CCC-North: Bloomfield co-op at Rocky Hill; Windsor at New Britain, 7 p.m. CCC-**South:** Maloney at Lewis Mills; Middletown at

Bristol Central CCC-East: Manchester at South Windsor CCC-**West:** Simsbury at Hall CCC-**Inter:** Bristol Eastern at E.O. Smith, 2:45 p.m.; Wethersfield at East Hartford; Enfield at Berlin;

Conard at RHAM; Platt at Farmington; Newington at Southington; East Catholic at Glastonbury; Northwest Catholic at Tolland, 4:30 p.m.; Avon at Plainville, 6:30 p.m. NCCC: Windsor Locks at Rockville: Coventry at East Granby, 4 p.m.; East Windsor at Bolton, 4 p.m.; SMSA at Ellington, 4 p.m.; Somers at Canton, 4:15

Shoreline: East Hampton at Valley Regional, 4 p.m.: North Branford at Cromwell, 4 p.m.; Haddam-Killingworth at Morgan, 4 p.m.; Old Lyme at Westbrook 4 p.m.; Hale-Ray at Coginchaug, 4 p.m. CTC: Windham Tech at Norwich Tech; Prince Tech at Vinal Tech; Whitney Tech at Wilcox Tech; Goodwin

Tech at Cheney Tech CRAL: Weaver at Civic Leadership, 3:30 p.m.; Parish Hill at University/Classical SCC: Shelton at Cheshire, 4 p.m.; Lyman Hall at

Branford, 4 p.m. **ECC:** Windham at Wheeler, 4 p.m.

NVL: Holy Cross at St. Paul, 4 p.m.
Others: Fitch at Hand, 4 p.m.; Hartford Public/ HMTCA at Granby, 4 p.m.

# SOFTBALL

CCC-North: Bulkeley at Hartford Public; Wethersfield at Newington, 4:30 p.m. CCC-**East:** South Windsor at E.O. Smith CCC-West: Simsbury at Conard

CCC-Inter: Middletown at New Britain; RHAM at Avon; Farmington at Lewis Mills; Plainville at East Hartford; Manchester at Bristol Eastern; Glastonbury at Maloney; Tolland at Bloomfield; Northwest Catholic at East Catholic; Southington at Enfield,

NCCC: Rockville at Windsor Locks: Suffield at Stafford, 4 p.m.; Granby at HMTCA, 4 p.m.; East Granby at Coventry, 4 p.m.; Bolton at East Windsor/SMSA, 4 p.m.; Canton at Somers, 4:15 p.m.

Shoreline: Coginchaug at Hale-Ray; Cromwell at North Branford, 4 p.m.; Westbrook/Portland at Old

Lyme, 4 p.m.; East Hampton at Valley Regional, 4 p.m.; Morgan at Haddam-Killingworth, 4 p.m. CTC: Goodwin Tech at Cheney Tech; Wilcox Tech at Whitney Tech CRAL: MLC at Innovation, 3:30 p.m.; Weaver at Civic

Leadership/Aerospace, 3:30 p.m. SCC: Hamden at Hand; Mercy at Law; Sheehan at Amity, 4 p.m.; Lyman Hall at Cheshire, 4:15 p.m. ECC: Wheeler at Windham, 4:30 p.m. NVL: St. Paul at Holy Cross, 3:30 p.m.

# BOYS LACROSSE

CCC-**Inter:** Tolland at South Windsor, 4 p.m. **Others:** Sheehan at Wethersfield, 5:15 p.m.; Glastonbury at Newtown, 7 p.m.

# GIRLS LACROSSE

CCC-North: Conard at Farmington, 4 p.m. CCC-**Central:** East Catholic at Windsor, 4 p.m. SCC: Shelton at Lyman Hall; North Haven at Sheehan, 5:45 p.m.

Others: Killingly at Enfield; Lewis Mills at Housatonic, 4 p.m.; Tolland at Suffield, 5:30 p.m.; Notre Dame-Fairfield at St. Paul, 6 p.m.; RHAM at NFA,

### **BOYS VOLLEYBALL**

CCC-**East:** Glastonbury at East Hartford, 5 p.m.; South Windsor at Lewis Mills, 5 p.m. CCC-**West:** Conard at New Britain, 5 p.m.; Newington at Simsbury, 5 p.m.; Farmington at Hall, 6 p.m. SCC: Shelton at Xavier, 6 p.m.; Amity at Cheshire, Others: Putnam at Maloney, 5 p.m.; Pomperaug at Hand, 5:30 p.m.

**BOYS GOLF** 

**NCCC:** Bolton at East Granby, 3 p.m.; Windsor Locks at Suffield, 3 p.m.; Somers at Rockville, 3 p.m.; Canton at SMSA/HMTCA, 3 p.m. Shoreline: Haddam-Killingworth at Portland, 2:45 p.m.; North Branford at Hale-Ray, 3:15 p.m.

SCC: Sheehan at Wilbur Cross, 1 p.m.; Hand at Guilford, 2 p.m.; Notre Dame-West Haven at Cheshire, 2:15 p.m.; Xavier at Fairfield Prep, 3 p.m. NVL: St. Paul at Seymour, 2:30 p.m.
Others: Ellington at E.O. Smith, 3 p.m.; Waterford at Morgan, 3 p.m.

# GIRLS GOLF

CCC-South: Newington at New Britain, 3 p.m. CCC-**East:** East Catholic at South Windsor, 3 p.m.; Glastonbury at Wethersfield, 3 p.m.; East Hartford at Manchester, 3 p.m. CCC-West: Farmington at Simsbury, 3 p.m.; Northwest Catholic at Avon, 3 p.m.
SCC: Cheshire at Amity, 3:30 p.m.

Others: Canton, Conard at Hall, 3 p.m.; Hand at St. Paul, 3 p.m.; Suffield at Bacon Academy, 3 p.m.

# TRACK & FIELD

NCCC: Windsor Locks at Granby, 4 p.m. Shoreline: Morgan, Portland at Cromwell CTC: CTC Championship (Prince Tech HS), 12:30

Bolton, East Granby, MLC at Somers, 4 p.m.

Others: Windham, Griswold at Parish Hill, 4 p.m.: